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The Protect Democracy Project
2020 Pennsylvania Ave NW, #163
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Mr. Schwartztol:

As agreed to in *The Protect Democracy Project v. U.S. Department of Homeland Security, et al.*, Case No. 17-cv-2202, this is the third interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), on behalf of The Protect Democracy Project, in which you are seeking records pertaining to unaffiliated border enforcement groups in the Laredo Sector including: Arizona Border Recon, Arizona Militia, Citizen Defenders, The Minutemen Project, Rusty's Rangers, Texas Militia or Three Percent United Patriots.

A search of CBP databases produced 527 pages of records responsive to your request. CBP has determined that 527 pages are partially releasable, pursuant to Title 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), and (b)(7)(E).

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(E) -TOC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) ESR
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
Subject: RE: Civilian Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
Date: Saturday, August 23, 2014 9:09:43 PM

Evolving Situational Report
Civilian Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
August 23, 2014
Initial/Final

On Today's date at approximately 1945, a Civilian Militia group identifying themselves as the "Texas Defense Network" called the (b) (7)(E), Texas Border Patrol Station to advise that they would be patrolling just west of the intersection of (b) (7)(E) and (b) (7)(E).

He stated that they will be acting as extra eyes and ears along the area. They were advised that they are not permitted to drive on the Levee nor interfere or participate with Border Patrol Agents engaged in enforcement activities.

Be advised that agents in the area were (b) (7)(E).

If you have any questions please contact the (b) (7)(E) Station TOC at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) -TOC

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
(b) (7)(E) Station
Rio Grande Valley Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
To: (b) (7)(E) -ESR
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E) ; (b) (7)(E) -TOC
Subject: NOTIFICATION: TEXAS MILITIA GROUP ENCOUNTER (8/15/2014)
Date: Saturday, August 16, 2014 1:24:06 AM
Attachments: image001.png
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Texas Militia Group Encounter Notification

August 15, 2014

(b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) Texas

Initial Notification

On August 15, 2014, at approximately 11:45 PM, (b) (7)(E) Agents informed the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station's Tactical Operations Center (b) (7)(E) -TOC that four members of the Texas Militia Group (TMG) were observed near the (b) (7)(E) and the Levee in (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) Agents stated that all of the TMG members were wearing camouflage uniforms and all were carrying assault rifles. (b) (7)(E) Agents informed the TMG Members that they needed to stay north of the levee.

The Texas Militia Group members were identified as the following:

Vehicle

2014 Toyota Tundra

TX License Plates (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Members

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

TMG member (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that they were former members of the Operation Secure our Border. TMG member (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that they were going to be in the vicinity of (b) (7)(E) until 0600 hours.

All subjects were advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency. (b) (7)(E) - TOC notified the DPS (b) (7)(E) Command Center and the RGV-(b) (7)(E) of the encounter.

Updates will follow if applicable.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 9:48 PM

To: RGV (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) -TOC; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS

Cc: (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA

Subject: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

Notification
Encounter With Texas Militia Members

(b) (7)(E)
Texas

On August 14, 2014, at approximately 9:15 PM, Agents working in (b) (7)(E) encountered members of the Texas Militia group. Subjects were armed, and dressed in fatigues. At this time there was no traffic being worked and the subjects stated that they had

just gotten to the area and had not been involved with any UDA traffic.

All subjects were identified and are listed below. (Note: Same subjects from Aug. 8 encounter)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Vehicle:

Blue

Toyota Tundra

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

All subjects were advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency. (b) (7)(E) Also notified DPS (b) (7)(E) Command Center and RGV (b) (7)(E) of the encounter.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
To: (b) (7)(E) -TOC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E); (b) (7)(E) ESR
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
Subject: RE: Civilian Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
Date: Saturday, August 23, 2014 9:42:16 PM

Update:

The Civilian Militia members called to report a group north of the canal that is located west of the (b) (7)(E) .

The caller was identified (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) from Edinburg. His partner is identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) .

They are in a White Subaru SUV (4-door)

TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2014 8:10 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) -TOC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E); (b) (7)(E) ESR
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If you have any questions please contact the (b) (7)(E) Station TOC at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) -TOC

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Station

Rio Grande Valley Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Subject: Update: Civilian Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
Date: Saturday, August 23, 2014 11:09:21 PM

Update: Agents report that the group that was called out by the militia was cleared as animal traffic (a group of pigs).

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2014 8:42 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) -TOC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E); (b) (7)(E) ESR
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
Subject: RE: Civilian Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR

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Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) **-TOC**

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Station

Rio Grande Valley Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: 15 cases at point
Date: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 11:51:36 AM

Sir, all (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) sent was your message below and didn't communicate clearly with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) what it is you were looking for. Nonetheless, here is what we assessed this morning regarding some of the (b) (7)(E) traffic over the weekend;

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 10:15 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: 15 cases at point

(b) (7)(E) I'm still waiting for the answers to the questions that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) sent you regarding (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) over the weekend....

Thank You,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Division Chief-Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector
"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2014 08:17 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: 15 cases at point

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief-Operations

Rio Grande Valley Sector

"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2014 08:10 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: 15 cases at point

Ten4,

Here is the case by case from this mornings weekend wrap

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief-Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector
"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2014 03:04 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fw: Sector Stats/Meetings 08/25/14

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

I want to discuss the smuggling loads at (b) (7)(E) and (b) (7)(E) this is unsat and I want us to figure out a solution.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2014 08:31 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Sector Stats/Meetings 08/25/14

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

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(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: 15 cases at point
Date: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 2:01:52 PM

Ten4, This one needs to be very adjustable. The hot seat that I was under was why didn't (b) (7)

[REDACTED]

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 10:52 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: 15 cases at point

Sir, all (b) (6), (b) (7) sent was your message below and didn't communicate clearly with (b) (6), (b) (7) what it is you were looking for. Nonetheless, here is what we assessed this morning regarding some of the (b) (7)(E) traffic over the weekend;

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Ten4,

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

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(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP; (b) (7)(E) SUPV
Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Texas Militia Blind Site 08/24/2014
Date: Sunday, August 24, 2014 6:11:13 PM

Thanks (b) (6),

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Operations Division

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2014 01:12 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SUPV
Subject: Texas Militia Blind Site 08/24/2014

FYSA,

On Sunday, August 24, 2014, during our dayshift muster, Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) mentioned that the Texas Militia Group had set up a Tripod Blind near the (b) (7)(E). According to Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) the Blind also has a trip wire that will set off some kind of flare once triggered.

SBPAs (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and I out drove out (b) (7)(E) area to see if we could locate the Blind site. While driving upriver of the area in question, we were able to locate the Tripod Blind approximately five yards upriver of the (b) (7)(E). We noticed that there were no militia subjects at the Blind sit, but it is important to note that the said blind is approximately (b) (7)(E)

We didn't see any trip wire in place, but perhaps our Public Land Officer can bring this concern along with the concern by SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on the email below with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) or the POC for this group. I will be sending this to our Collateral (b) (7)(E) Agents so that they can put this up for our agents in the muster powerpoint.

Actual Blind:

(b) (7)(E)

Respectfully,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2014 8:56 AM

To: (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP

Cc: (b) (7)(E) SUPV

Subject: Texas Militia

On today's date at approximately 7:30 am, I was informed by Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) who was working in the (b) (7)(E) area, of "Texas Militia" driving south of the levee on the (b) (7)(E). Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that he saw three male subjects, dressed in fatigues and fully armed, driving in a Polaris Razor type vehicle. At approximately 7:55 am, I stopped the group about two miles south of the levee on the (b) (7)(E). I immediately identified myself and informed them that they were on a (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E)) and could not be patrolling this area. I further explained to them that it was the (b) (7)(E) Station's understanding that they **only** had permission to patrol (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property and that they understood those set forth parameters. The driver, identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) seemed to be under the impression that they could patrol to the (b) (7)(E) but would do as asked and clear the

area. I asked (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to remind their entire crew of the agreed upon area they are allowed to be in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and to call if they saw any potential illegal activity. All subjects left the area without incident.

Sups, please inform the agents to challenge all subjects travelling on the levee, especially in the areas outside (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV OPS; RG (b) (7)(E) RGV-PAO
Cc: (b) (7) PAIC; (b) (7) SUPV
Subject: ESR on (b) (7) Shooting Incident
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 7:27:01 PM
Importance: High

See ESR below on the shooting incident.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Watch Commander

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 5:41 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: (b) (7) shooting incident
Importance: High

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT REPORT

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

Location: (b) (7)(E)

On August 29, 2014, at approximately 3:38 p.m., (b) (7)(E) Agents working in the (b) (7)(E) area off of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas, began chasing a group of subjects near the Rio Grande River. A subject stepped out of the heavily vegetated area brandishing an assault rifle aimed in the direction of the subjects. He then turned his assault weapon on the agents. A BPA drew his Department issued firearm and fired at the armed subject. The subject was not injured, but was detained and his weapon was secured. It was later discovered that he is a Militia member, and two other armed Militia members had been laying in near the area where this encounter took place. The Militia members only have permission to be on land owner (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) ' property, that is several miles west of the (b) (7)(E)

NOTE: The subjects do not associate themselves with any specific "militia" group.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS:

1538 hrs Agents working traffic
1540 hrs Agent fired rounds
1541 hrs Supervisor is requested through (b) (7)(E) and a (b) (7)(E) " is sent
1541 hrs SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is making his way to the scene
1543 hrs A Request goes out to (b) (7)(E) to (b) (7)(E) "
1600 hrs DPAIC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrive on the scene
1600 hrs SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) contacted Lt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office
1605 hrs ACPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was advised of the situation
1606 hrs Agent was advised to go to (b) (7)(E) to meet (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Deputy
1608 hrs CIRT Team (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called (b) (7)(E) and advised they were headed to the scene (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
1611 hrs BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called and advised BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a witness to the incident
1615 hrs Pictures of all 3 Militia members are taken
1619 hrs Patrol Sgt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office arrives on scene. Case number is (b) (7)(E).
1640 hrs FBI SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and FBI Acting SAC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised they are en route
1700 hrs RGV PAO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrives on scene
1705 hrs CIRT (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrives on scene
1715 hrs FBI Agents arrive on scene and (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office Investigator arrive on scene
1800 hrs U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Officers arrived and confirmed the scene is not on

protected lands.

There are no reported injuries

SUBJECTS:

Militia member who pointed weapon at agent was identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject Produced **NO IDENTIFICATION**

Two other Militia members laying in near the area were identified as:

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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LADL: 006223621

WEAPONS:

Militia Member (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) brandished at agent is:

Assault Rifle:

7.62 Serbian Zastava (b) (7)(E)

Two other handguns and 3 assault rifles were secured from the militia members.

ILLEGAL ALIEN SUBJECTS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY DURING THIS EVENT:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Updates to follow...

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV OPS; RG (b) (7)(E) RGV-PAO; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7) PAIC; (b) (7) SUPV
Subject: Update on FINAL: ESR on (b) (7) Shooting Incident
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 11:51:13 PM
Attachments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

UPDATE:
The following weapons and one Go Pro camera were seized by (b) (7)(E) County. Subjects were released:

rifle Zastava, Serbia PAP M92PV 7.62 cal, (b) (7)(E), carried by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

pistol Llama 45 cal, (b) (7)(E), carried by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

rifle Winchester Model 70, 243 cal (b) (7)(E), with scope Tasco 3x9 (b) (7)(E), carried by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

pistol Springfield XDS 45 cal, (b) (7)(E), carried by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

rifle Centurion 39 Sporter 7.62 cal (b) (7)(E) carried by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:56 PM
To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E); RGV-PAO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FINAL: ESR on (b) (7) Shooting Incident

FINAL

8/29/14 1900 hrs

- All parties cleared from the from the scene
- The three Mexican UDA females apprehended in the area will be advised of their right to speak to their consular officer prior to their departure from the station and will also be held through the night in the event any entity requests to speak with them in the morning.
- Agent involved in the shooting incident:
 - o Name: BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
 - o DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
 - o Class: (b) (7)
 - o SS last 4: (b) (6)
 - o Weapon: H&K pistol, serial # (b) (7)(E)

Updated GPS location

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Watch Commander

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT REPORT

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

Location: (b) (7)(E)

On August 29, 2014, at approximately 3:38 p.m., (b) (7) Agents working in the (b) (7)(E) area off of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas, began chasing a group of subjects near the Rio Grande River. A subject stepped out of the heavily vegetated area brandishing an assault rifle aimed in the direction of the subjects. He then turned his assault weapon on the agents. A BPA drew his Department issued firearm and fired at the armed subject. The subject was not injured, but was detained and his weapon was secured. It was later discovered that he is a Militia member, and two other armed Militia members had been laying in near the area where this encounter took place. The Militia members only have permission to be on land owner (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)'s property, that is several miles west of the (b) (7)(E).

NOTE: The subjects do not associate themselves with any specific "militia" group.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS:

1538 hrs Agents working traffic

1540 hrs Agent fired rounds

1541 hrs Supervisor is requested through (b) (7)(E) and a (b) (7)(E) is sent

1541 hrs SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is making his way to the scene

1543 hrs A Request goes out to (b) (7)(E) to (b) (7)(E)

1600 hrs DPAIC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and WIC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrive on the scene

1600 hrs SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) contacted Lt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office

1605 hrs Division Chief (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was advised of the situation

1606 hrs Agent was advised to go to (b) (7)(E) to meet (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Deputy

1608 hrs CIRT Team (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called (b) (7)(C) and advised they were headed to the scene (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

1611 hrs BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called and advised BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a witness to the incident

1615 hrs Pictures of all 3 Militia members are taken

1619 hrs Patrol Sgt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office arrives on scene. Case number is (b) (7)(E)

1640 hrs FBI SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and FBI Acting SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised they are en route

1700 hrs RGV PAO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrives on scene

hrs CIRT (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrives on scene

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: STX (b) (7)(E) Products - Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports 12SEP14
Date: Monday, September 15, 2014 9:40:30 AM
Attachments: (b) (7)(E) Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports 03SEP14.pdf
(b) (7)(E) Follow-up to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia 11SEP14.pdf
image003.png

Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Below is an update to the RFI on -Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports.

Please let us know if you have any questions and/or need additional information.

Thanks.

v/r

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Director

South Texas (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 5:45 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: STXBIC (b) (7)(E) Products - Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports 12SEP14

ALCON,

Attached you will find two STX (b) (7)(C) products with information regarding the possible shutdown of southern border ports of entry:

1. (b) (7)(E) Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports, dated 03SEP14
2. (b) (7)(E) Follow-up to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia, dated 11SEP14 provides pictures of individuals identified as port organizers (see attachment).

(U) Update to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia 12SEP14

(U) The information contained herein is an update to a request for information regarding a possible shut down of southern border ports of entry. This report is a follow-up to (b) (7)(E) (U) Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Team Three Percent Militia Group.

(FOUO//LES) This report partially addresses (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) efforts to identify transnational criminal organizations threat to legitimate trade and travel into the STXBIC area of responsibility.

(FOUO//LES) Research on September 11, 2014 through law enforcement databases, open source, and social media revealed a continued effort by a militia group to organize a "Shutdown of All Ports of Entry" along the United States/Mexico border.

(FOUO//LES) The group's web page is composed of 1,556 members and has invited an additional 400 people to attend the September 20th event. A total of 103 members have confirmed they will be attending the event and 29 have indicated that they may attend. The group's main goal is to shut down the Ports of Entry (POE) until their demands are met according to their political views.

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is the groups spoke person who identified the following individuals as the port organizers (PO) for the following locations as of September 11, 2014: **PICTURES INCLUDED IN ATTACHMENT**

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a resident of San Marcos, California and one of four administrators of the group. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has been actively encouraging members to attend the event on September 20th. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will be serving as one of the POs in California.

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is an active militia member in Laredo, Texas. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrived in Laredo, Texas with a different militia group with the intent of securing the Southern border from illegal immigrants. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is associated to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and shares the same views. (Analyst Comments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) supports the shut-down but it is unknown if she will serve as a PO and for which port).

1. (FOUO//LES) Analyst Comments: Militia members along the Southern border have been seen driving pick-up trucks and all-terrain vehicles ideal for patrolling along the Rio Grande River. The leaders of the group have encouraged bringing large vehicles capable of achieving the objective of shutting-down all ports of entry. On September 11, 2014, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) had an interview with the Los Angeles Times about the upcoming event.^[1] Based on the interview, it is believed that many people in California are not enthusiastic about the September event possibly causing them to shift their focus to the Rio Grande Valley.

(FOUO//LES) The below tactics techniques and procedures (TTPs) have been identified as being used by the militia during the shut-down:

- The proposed event will begin on Saturday, September 20, 2014, in Laredo, Texas. (b) (7)(E)
- The planned event is scheduled to start at 8:00 a.m. Pacific Standard Time (PST), which will commence simultaneously throughout all time zones.
- Leaders have highlighted the need to close every POE at the same time, as the best way to accomplish their objective.
- Attendees will be notified by POs prior to the event on the proper way to accomplish their task due to the dynamics of each POE.
- Their plan of execution is to maintain a peaceful protest and obey the law.
- **Members were instructed to bring a firearm/weapon** if the state authorizes them to carry and not bring alcohol.
- Leaders have indicated this is not an armed revolt.
- Main requirements is to have enough people participating to proceed safely (Source Comment: Without the right amount of people the shut-down will not continue).
- The group leaders have requested attendees drive vehicles on their own and to bring perishable food items so they can remain at the locations indefinitely, until their demands have been met.
- The objective of the event is to close down the freeways to all incoming and outgoing traffic at every South border POE.
- Members are instructed to drive their vehicles up to the POE and turn off their engines (Source Comment: Large vehicles i.e. semis, trucks, recreational vehicles are recommended)
- Leaders have emphasized safety on the initial phase of the operation. They have pointed out that at some locations it will be necessary to make a U-turn to block outgoing traffic.

(FOUO//LES) Analyst Comments: Many of the participating members have been actively engaged in militia operations along the Southern Border, aiding in securing the Southern Border from illegal immigrants crossing the river. Recently, Militia members have engaged in incidents with United States Border Patrol (USBP) and have been apprehending undocumented aliens in the (b) (7)(E) area. Based on this incident, local law enforcement leaders have expressed concerns regarding the militia activities. One of the primary concerns for law enforcement remains the extent of militia members' participation and adherence to the action plan, as well as the level of support by non-group members demonstrating against this proposal.

- (FOUO//LES) Collaborators: BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
- (FOUO//LES) Sources: Law enforcement databases, open source, and social media:

1. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E), titled Fourth Encounter With Members of a Texas Militia Group at (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station AOR, dated 01SEP14
2. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E) titled Militia Members Encountered on (b) (7)(E) 09/06/2014 in (b) (7)(E) AOR, dated 07SEP14
3. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E), titled Two Armed Subjects (Possible Militia) Encountered at the (b) (7)(E) dated 29AUG2014
4. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E), titled Militia Members Detain Illegal Aliens in (b) (7)(E) AOR, dated 29AUG14
5. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E), titled Encounter with "Texas Defense Network" Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Texas, dated 24AUG14
6. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E) titled Information Regarding a Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports of Entry, dated 02SEP14
7. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E), titled (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) member of the Bowies Volunteers Militia and Commander of the Winter Soldiers, dated 24JUN14
8. (U) <http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/local/article/Militia-member-shot-at-by-Border-Patrol-is-a-5741630.php>
9. (U) <http://www.elmanana.com.mx/noticia/43716/Amenazan-cerrar-cruces-en-Laredo.html>

v/r

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Director

South Texas (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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^[1] (U) <http://www.latimes.com/local/abcarian/la-me-ra-tahmooressi-supporters-plan-to-wreak-havoc-at-border-20140911-column.html#page>



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(b) (7)(E)

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(U) Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Team Three Percent Militia Group 03SEP14

(U) The information contained herein is in response to a request for information regarding a possible shut down of southern border ports of entry.

(FOUO//LES) Research on September 2, 2014 through law enforcement databases, open source, and social media revealed a militia group organizing a “Shutdown All Ports of Entry” along the United States/Mexico border. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Figure 1) is the main organizer for the proposed event scheduled to commence on September 20, 2014. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (No picture available) is the group’s publicists responsible for disseminating information regarding the plan of action for September 20.

Figure 1

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the entire content of Figure 1.

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a member of the Team Three Percent (3%) national militia group that is currently conducting militia operations in the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) area of responsibility (AOR). The group originates from the state of Indiana and is reportedly composed of 1,036 members. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is the owner and president of RC Recycling Company, a recycling site for commercial and industrial equipment in New Paris, Indiana.

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(U) Developed by: BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) claims to be a member of three different militia groups that share the same ideology on stopping illegal immigration. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) lives and operates out of Murrieta, California. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) main duty is to post updates and coordinate a plan of action for September 20, 2014. The “Shutdown All Ports of Entry” group web page is followed by 1,496 members that receive updates and request for support from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

(FOUO//LES) The “Shutdown All Ports of Entry” group states their goals and 10 non-negotiable demands as their objective for the proposed event. The group has stated that the start time is 8:00 a.m. Pacific Standard Time on September 20, 2014. The group is in the preparation stage focusing on ensuring safety for all participants. The leaders of the proposed event are requesting a volunteer to be a point-of-contact for each port of entry on the Southern border.

(FOUO//LES) Tactics Techniques and Procedures (TTPs) are discussed on the group’s web page. The group leaders are asking volunteers to arrive at the point of entry with large vehicles i.e. semis, trucks, recreational vehicles, and any other means to help them close the ports from incoming and outgoing traffic. The group leaders are also asking for perishable items and to follow the rule of law based on the Constitution of the United States.

(FOUO//LES) Analyst Comments: Followers of the web page is not an indicator of number of participants. Groups of pro-immigrants are disseminating information of the “Shutdown All Ports of Entry” group’s intentions via social media. The main concern should be how many participants will follow the action plan and how many opponents will demonstrate against this proposal.

Sources: Law Enforcement databases, open source, and social media:

- (U) <http://www.latinorebels.com/2014/09/02/group-promoting-september-20-shut-down-all-ports-of-entry-event-yeah-good-luck-with-that/>
- (U) <http://www.shutdownallports.com/notifications.html>
- (U) <http://www.sandiegored.com/noticias/57047/Anti-immigrant-groups-plan-to-block-border-crossings-on-September-20th/>
- (U) <http://www.telesur.tv/english/news/Anti-immigration-Groups-Call-to-Shut-Down-US-Border-With-Mexico-20140829-0061.html>

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(FOUO//LES) On September 11, 2014, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) indicated on open source that she would serve as PO for Laredo and California. (Analyst Comment: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), an active militia member in the Laredo area of responsibility (AOR), offered to be the PO for Laredo on August 17, 2014. It is (b) (7)(E)). (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is an active militia member and one of the main organizers of the event. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is also the PO for the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) AOR. (Analyst Comment: It is unclear which specific port(s) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will serve as the PO in RGV).

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- (FOUO//LES) Collaborators: BPA (b) (7)(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
- (FOUO//LES) Sources: Law enforcement databases, open source, and social media:

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1. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E) , titled Fourth Encounter With Members of a Texas Militia Group at (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station AOR, dated 01SEP14
2. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E) , titled Militia Members Encountered on Goodwin and Military 09/06/20014 in (b) (7)(E) AOR, dated 07SEP14
3. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E) , titled Two Armed Subjects (Possible Militia) Encountered at the (b) (7)(E) , dated 29AUG2014
4. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E) , titled Militia Members Detain Illegal Aliens in (b) (7)(E) AOR, dated 29AUG14
5. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E) , titled Encounter with "Texas Defense Network" Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) , Texas, dated 24AUG14
6. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E) titled Information Regarding a Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports of Entry, dated 02SEP14
7. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E) , titled (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) member of the Bowies Volunteers Militia and Commander of the Winter Soldiers, dated 24JUN14
8. (U) <http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/local/article/Militia-member-shot-at-by-Border-Patrol-is-a-5741630.php>
9. (U) <http://www.elmanana.com.mx/noticia/43716/Amenazan-cerrar-cruces-en-Laredo.html>

ⁱ (U) <http://www.latimes.com/local/abccarian/la-me-ra-tahmooressi-supporters-plan-to-wreak-havoc-at-border-20140911-column.html#page>

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)
To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 5:49:22 AM
Attachments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Importance: High

ALCON;

Forwarded for your awareness.

Thank you,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV (b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

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To: (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SUPV
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Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 9:33:58 AM
Attachments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Importance: High

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Can we please have (b) (7)(E) conduct a thorough debrief of these three UDAs and gather info such as:

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Operations Division
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 04:49 AM
To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR

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[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV OPS
Cc: (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP
Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Thursday, August 28, 2014 11:42:12 PM
Attachments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RIO007A](#) (b) (7)(E) SUPERVISORS
Subject: (b) (7)(E) PD Information
Date: Thursday, September 04, 2014 4:52:56 PM

FYI

On today's date at approximately 1500 hrs., (b) (7)(E) PD informed (b) (7)(E) Shift BPA that he spotted Militia members on (b) (7)(E) Information from (b) (7)(E) PD did not specify the number of subjects, nor what type of vehicle they were driving. The only identifier that was given was that they had a patch of the US flag on their sleeve and had AK-47's. No other information was given to BPA Agent.

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7) AOR
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 3:18:42 PM
Attachments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

I think the most important step her from OCC is the first one. The property owner doesn't want the BP to tell him what to do on his property. Please advise RGVOP's on the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) CSO response.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:01 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7) AOR

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Just to re-cap on our conversation:

(b) (5)

Thanks.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Deputy Assistant Chief Counsel, RGV
Customs and Border Protection
4400 South Expressway 281
Edinburg, Texas 78542
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 1:09 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7) AOR

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Please review on my way to discuss this with you.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 12:46 PM
To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP
Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7) AOR

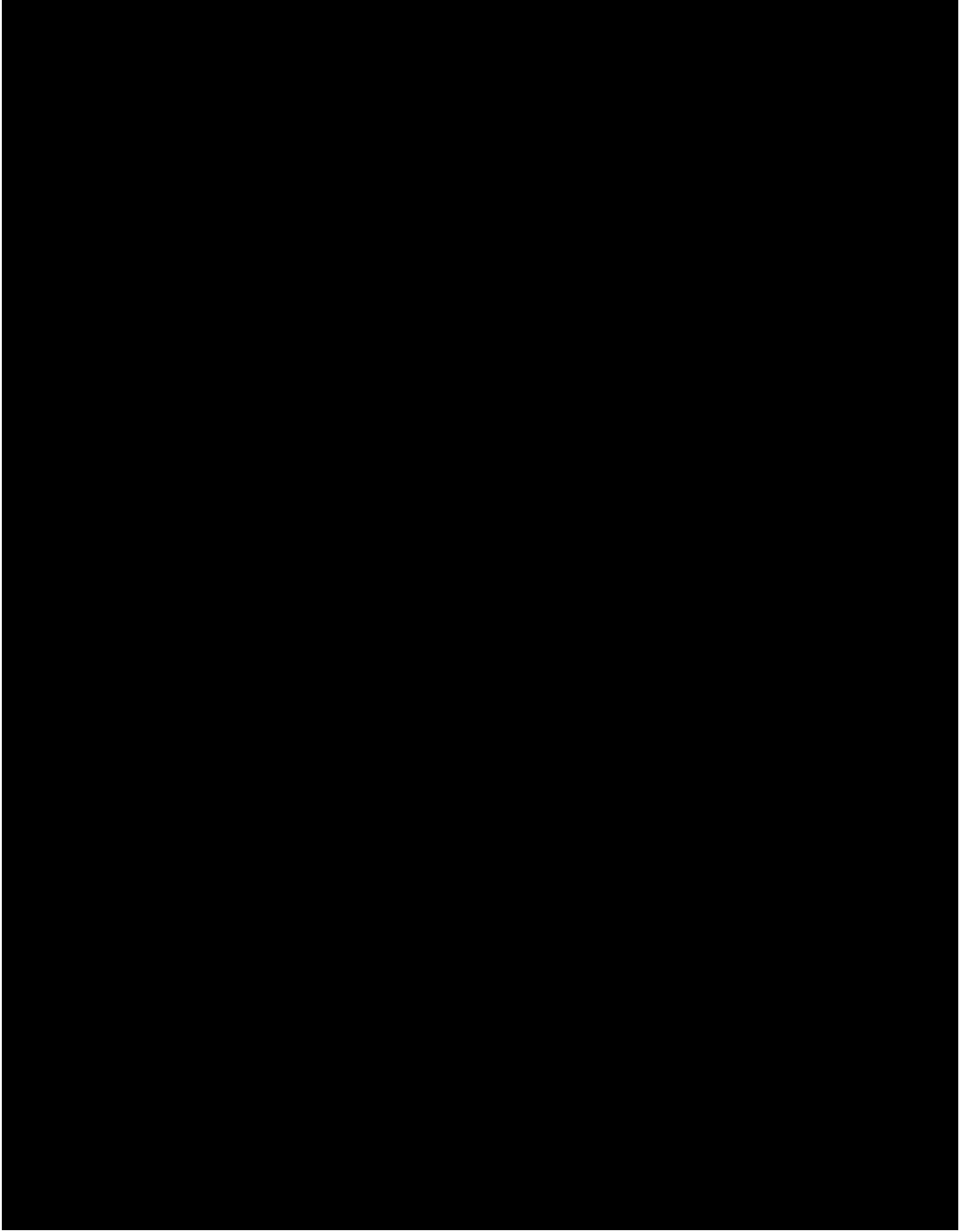
ALCON,

Below is information gleaned from the debrief on two (2) subjects that were detained by local Militia in the (b) (7) AOR on 8/28/14. All property taken during the detention of both individuals was relinquished to agents when custody of the suspected UDA's was remanded to BP. Both subjects have been processed and will be enroute to (b) (7) soon.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 12:13 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP
Subject: RE: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7) AOR

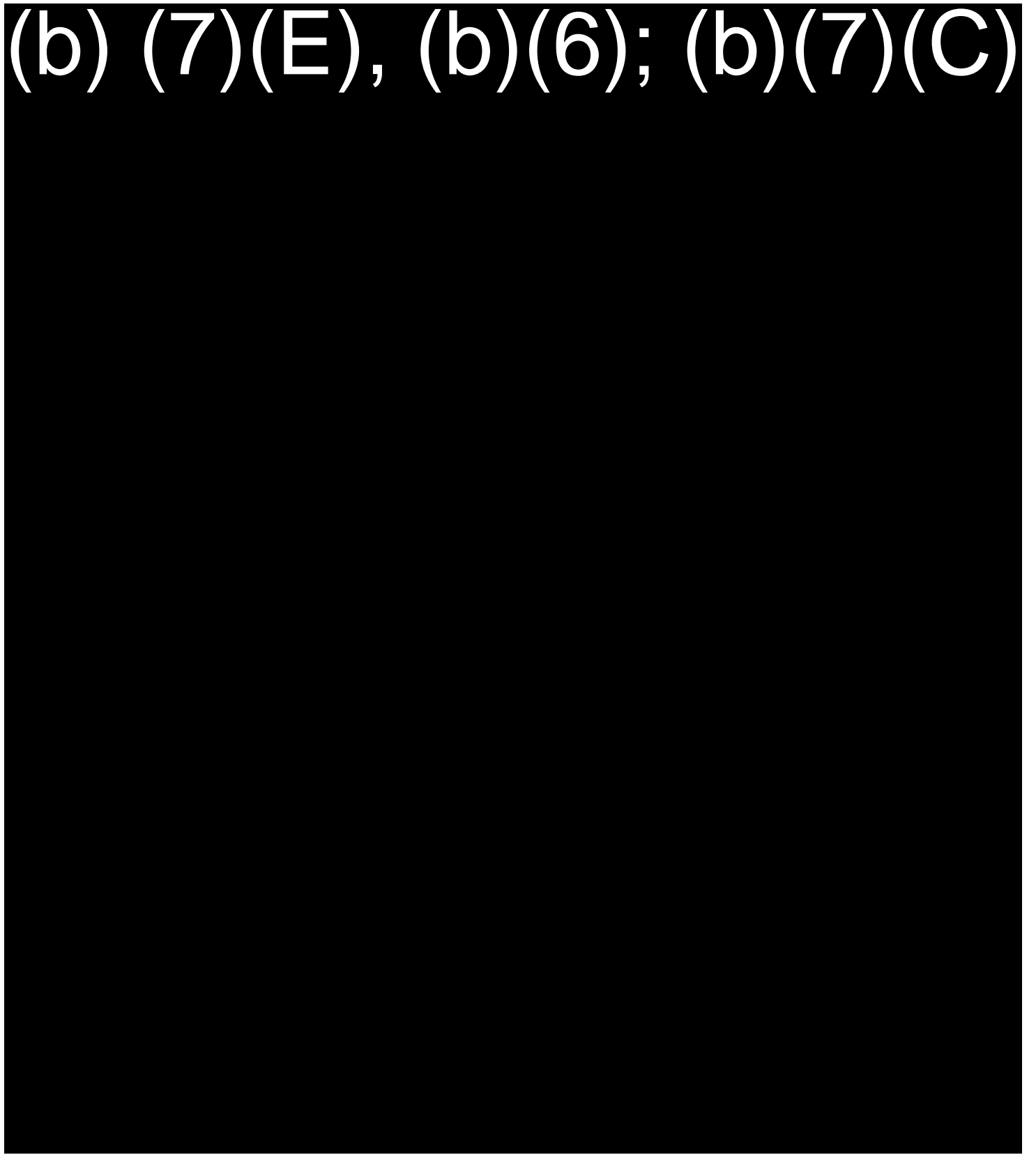
(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



(b) (7)(E)

Debrief of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject stated he thought the "Militia" were the U.S. Army soldiers because of the camouflage attire they were dressed in. He stated the command given was "STOP PUTOS" in a loud and intimidating tone of voice. They were instructed "SIT - SIT" which he understood as to sit down / get down on the ground. He stated one of the members had two weapons, a long rifle pointed towards the ground and a hand pistol that was being pointed in his direction. He stated black in color plastic tie downs were used to restrain his hands behind his back. He stated his cellular phone and wallet were removed from his pockets by members of the "Army". He stated the "Army" members took photographs of them and were given bottled water.

FIR will be generated from information obtained thru debrief of both subjects.

(b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:56 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7) AOR

Importance: High

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:47 AM

To: (b) (7) SUPV

Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7) AOR

Importance: High

Supers, for action and follow up.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:34 AM

To: (b) (7) PAIC; RGV (b) (7) PAIC

Cc: RGV OPS

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RGV Operations Division

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From: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 04:49 AM
To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7) PAIC
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E)
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RGV (b) (7)(E)

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: RE: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:32:01 AM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) That's why we brought her to RGVOP's - . (b) (6) is now officially designated as the (b) (7)(E)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 7:25 AM
To: RGV OPS
Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Importance: High

This is from last weeks morning brief...

8/19/14 in (b) (7)(E) ...

- (b) (6) agents referred the driver of a 2014 Toyota Yaris into secondary after a canine alert. The subjects were uncooperative initially and claimed to be unarmed. While entering the driver's info into the LPR system, agents received an (b) (7)(E) [REDACTED]. The subject with the (b) (7)(E) was carrying a compact 45 on the waistband. The passenger also revealed he had a compact 380 in the center console of the vehicle. The driver had an (b) (7)(E) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [REDACTED]. The passenger was identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [REDACTED]. Both subjects claimed to be in South Texas to "assist the Border Patrol" and are staying in the (b) (7)(E) area. One of the subjects claims to have purchased land in (b) (7)(E) but did not provide the location.
- The search of the vehicle was negative. Wants/Warrants were negative/ handguns were also negative. Both subjects were released from custody.

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)
To: MAL017A-960; OPS EAST/CENTRAL SECTORS; SITROOM; STC AREA MCALLEN GML; STC DIVISION J2 (b) (7)(E) GML; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS
Subject: Situational Awareness: Shots Fired
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 6:29:48 PM
Attachments: Situational Awareness (b) (7)(E) Shots Fired 08-29-2014.pdf
Importance: High

ALCON,

Attached and below is a Situational Awareness regarding a shots fired incident involving a Border Patrol Agent near (b) (7)(E) and (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), TX.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

August 29, 2014

On August 29, 2014, at approximately 4:01 p.m., the Rio Grande Valley Sector (b) (7)(E) (RGV (b) (7)(E)) received information regarding a shooting incident near (b) (7)(E) Drive and (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas. An agent assigned to the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station encountered a group of armed subjects in the brush. The agent discharged his CBP service issued weapon during the incident. No shots were fired at the agent. The subjects are believed to be part of a militia group. Three subjects have been detained for questioning and several weapons have been secured. No injuries were reported.

(b) (7)(E)

The RGV (b) (7)(E) will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates if available.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: RE: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video
Date: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 2:51:36 PM

The militia member is not recognized as being with the group at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Agent's voice, particular attire and weapon (magazine) are not recognized as well. The background is of east San Diego County (CA) maybe....

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 12:03 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: FW: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

Not sure if you've seen this video. Does anyone recognize the agent's voice, location or militia member?

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Executive Officer of Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector Headquarters
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:51 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

Thank You,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Division Chief-Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector
"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:45 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

Chief and Deputy, Media is asking for a statement on video.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief Operational Support
Rio Grande Valley Sector
U.S. Border Patrol

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:32 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

FYSA

Video just received to Comms from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), San Antonio News Express.

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Subject: RE: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video
Date: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 1:49:17 PM

Sir,

We do not have any ID on the individual, he does have a V-Tac sling and a pool range mag on the M-4, that might help identify the station. No other identifiers could be distinguished.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 12:03 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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Rio Grande Valley Sector Headquarters
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:51 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV OPS
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Date: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 1:03:16 PM
Attachments: [Video.MOV](#)
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Subject: RE: Free Nebraska Members in (b) (7)(E)
Date: Wednesday, September 03, 2014 5:06:30 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

DPS made aware.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, September 03, 2014 4:03 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV OPS; RIO007A (b) (7)(E) -WATCHCOMMANDERS; RGV (b) (7)(E) -PAIC
Subject: Re: Free Nebraska Members in (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

If you haven't already done so, I would share with locals/state for their awareness in case they encounter and of course cover at musters. Did they mention if they intended to detain or merely report any UDAs they encounter? Also, did they mention if they have any landowner consent?

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Executive Officer of Operations

RGV Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, September 03, 2014 03:39 PM
To: RGV OPS; RIO007A (b) (7)(E) -WATCHCOMMANDERS
Subject: FW: Free Nebraska Members in (b) (7)(E)

For your awareness.

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) ”
Watch Commander
(b) (7)(E) **Station**
(b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, September 03, 2014 3:30 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Free Nebraska Members in (b) (7)(E)

A subject by the name of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with Free Nebraska Organization called the (b) (7)(E) station to advised that he along with another male subject would be scouting the area located on (b) (7)(E) and (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E). Subject sated that they will be scouting the area since they plan to move their operations to our area. They will be in a Blue Toyota Truck (TXLPS: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)). As per Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) they are wearing camouflage gear with a flag of the United States as insignia and they are arm with pistols and long arms. As per Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) they will only be taking pictures of the area and do no plan to make their way to the river due to the weather. Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that they plan to scout the wildlife refuge located around the area. Subject state that they are just free citizens patrolling the area and did not wish to make himself known as a militia member.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)
To: RGV OPS; OPS EAST/CENTRAL SECTORS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Subject: (b) (7)(E) Briefing Paper & SIR: "Shots Fired by an Employee" Incident
Date: Saturday, August 30, 2014 6:33:20 AM
Attachments: (b) (7)(E) Shots Fired Briefing Paper 8-29-2014.docx
(b) (7)(E) Shots Fired 8-29-14.pdf
Importance: High

ALCON,

Attached and below is a Briefing Paper regarding a "Shots Fired by an Employee" incident that occurred near (b) (7)(E), Texas. The SIR is also attached.

The 4th quarter RGV (b) (7)(E) password will open both documents.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

Incident Briefing Paper **(b) (7)(E) Shooting Incident**

Date of Incident: August 29, 2014
Date of Report: August 30, 2014

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

- On August 29, 2014, at approximately 3:38 p.m., an on-duty agent assigned to the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station ((b) (7)(E))), fired his CBP service issued firearm (H&K P2000 .40 caliber) at an armed subject, possibly a member of an unidentified militia group in (b) (7)(E), Texas (b) (7)(E)

CURRENT SITUATION:

- All notifications have been made to the appropriate investigative agencies.

BACKGROUND:

- On August 29, 2014, at approximately 3:38 p.m., (b) (7)(E) agents were working a group of undocumented aliens in a heavy vegetated area, approximately 12 miles east of the (b) (7)(E)
- While an agent was chasing several subjects in the brush towards the river, an armed

subject stepped out of the brush.

- The agents observed the armed subject aiming his rifle in the direction of the undocumented aliens, seconds later the subject turned the rifle in the direction of the agent.
- At 3:40 p.m., the agent drew his CBP service issued firearm and shot four rounds at the direction of the armed subject.
- Agents searched the immediate area and located two other armed subjects traveling with the first subject.
- No shots were fired at the agent.
- No injuries were reported.
- The (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office (CSO) was contacted and responded to the scene.

DISPOSITION:

- Sergeant (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) from CSO arrived at the scene and issued case number (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) CSO also seized a total of five weapons and a Go Pro Camera from the subjects.
- All proper notifications have been made.
- Three UDAs were apprehended and will be processed accordingly.
- All three members of the unidentified militia group were released.

AGENT INFORMATION (Involved):

(See attached)

AGENT'S WEAPON INFORMATION:

(See attached)

#1 SUBJECT'S INFORMATION:

(See attached)

CRIMINAL HISTORY:

(See attached)

#2 SUBJECT'S INFORMATION:

(See attached)

CRIMINAL HISTORY:

(See attached)

#3 SUBJECT'S INFORMATION:

(See attached)

CRIMINAL HISTORY:

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WEAPON #1 INFORMATION: (Used in the Assault)

(See attached)

WEAPON #2 INFORMATION:

(See attached)

WEAPON #3 INFORMATION:

(See attached)

WEAPON #4 INFORMATION:

(See attached)

WEAPON #5 INFORMATION:

(See attached)

NOTIFICATIONS:

RGV Staff (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV CIT (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV PAO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CBP IA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

HSI (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

JIC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

OIG (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

FBI S/A (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Peer Support (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

PHOTOS:

(See attached)

MAP/GPS Coordinates of Shooting Incident:

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: [RGV OPS](#); [RGV](#); [PAIC](#)
Subject: FW: 9/20 plot POE - Immediate Action Required
Date: Friday, September 19, 2014 10:54:16 AM

Additional alert/info from OFO.

Port Directors:

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(b) (7)(E)

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Sent: Fri Sep 19 09:29:26 2014

Subject: 9/20 plot POE

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Date: Friday, September 19, 2014 4:26:18 PM

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Thank you for the invite- surely appreciate it. We wanted to extend our assistance if required.

Thank you,

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WC (b) (7)(E) STATION
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T4, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

The Watch Commanders will be standing by to assist. Give us a yell if you need anything.

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Subject: Fw: 9/20 plot POE

Chief (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) heres the info, please pass along. No further information availabe at this time. I will update as information becomes available.

Thanks

SCBPO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Sep 19 09:29:26 2014

Subject: 9/20 plot POE

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will you pass this on to CBP.

(b) (7)(E)

No mention of (b) (7)(E).

There isn't time to publish An intel product so this is being pushed out via email.

If new (b) (7)(E) is obtained today I will send it via email. You may forward this to your (b) (7)(E) folks.

Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Update #2 STX (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) Products - Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports 17SEP14
Date: Thursday, September 18, 2014 7:01:11 PM
Attachments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) [H-FY14 Update #2 - Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia dated 17SEP14.pdf](#)

Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Attached/below is update #2 to the RFI on Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports of Entry scheduled for September 20, 2014.

Please let us know if you have any questions and/or need additional information.

Thanks.

v/r

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Director

South Texas (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2014 5:54 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Update #2 STX (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) Products - Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports 17SEP14

ALCON,

Attached/below you will find an update to the report on the possible shutdown of southern border ports of entry scheduled for September 20, 2014:

(U) Update #2 to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia 17SEP14

(U) The information contained herein is a follow-up to a request for information regarding a possible shut-down of southern border ports of entry (POEs). This report should be read in conjunction with (b) (7)(E), dated 03SEP14 (U) Possible Shut-Down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Team Three Percent Militia Group and (b) (7)(E).
(U) Update to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia, dated 12SEP14.

(FOUO/LES) Research on September 17, 2014 through law enforcement (b) (7)(E) revealed a continued effort by a militia group to organize a "Shutdown of All Ports of Entry" along the United States/Mexico border. (FOUO/LES)

On September 16, 2014, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Figure 1), the group's spokesperson identified the following POEs as the intended locations for their demonstration:

- Texas
 - Brownsville/Los Indios Port of Entry, 3300 South Expressway 77/83, Brownsville, Texas 78521
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 - Presidio Port of Entry, Border Station Highway 67 PO Box 1959, Presidio, Texas 79845
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 - Naco 3867 South Townner Ave., Naco, Arizona 85620
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- California
 - Tecate-Class A 405 Tecate Rd., Tecate, California

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- San Ysidro-Class A 720 East San Ysidro Blvd., San Ysidro, California 92173

- New Mexico

- Columbus State Highway 11 Mile Marker 0, Columbus, New Mexico 88029
- Santa Teresa 170 Pete Domenici Highway PO Box 1439, Santa Teresa, New Mexico 88008

(FOUO//LES) On September 16, 2014, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) released a notification to members of the Shut-down All Ports of Entry group. (b) (6) notified members of tactics, techniques and procedures (TTPs) to follow in the event that their demonstrations is impeded. (i)

(FOUO//LES) TTPs: (b) (6) stated that she is currently trying to locate staging areas prior to proceeding to the POEs. The staging areas will serve as rally points for the groups or individuals to decide contingency plans for the POEs. (b) (6) disseminated a separate email to members of the group stating to expect an update of the staging locations.

(FOUO//LES) Analyst Comments: Militia members continue to have confrontations with law enforcement personnel along the Southern Border. (iii), (iii) Groups opposing their political views have been stating their disappointment through social media.

(FOUO//LES) The following individuals were also identified as the main organizers for the planned event (access attachment to view pictures):

(U) STXBIC will continue to monitor reporting associated with the possible shut-down of the border and provide updates as they become available.

(U) Sources: Law enforcement databases, open source, and social media:

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3. (FOUO//LES) (b) (7)(E) titled Two Armed Subjects (Possible Militia) Encountered at the (b) (7)(E), dated 29AUG2014
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(U) Collaborators: BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 5:45 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: STX (b) (7)(E) Products - Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports 12SEP14

ALCON,

Attached you will find two STX (b) (7) products with information regarding the possible shutdown of southern border ports of entry:

1. (b) (7)(E) Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports, dated 03SEP14
2. (b) (7)(E) Follow-up to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia, dated 11SEP14 provides pictures of individuals identified as port organizers (see attachment).

(U) Update to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia 12SEP14

(U) The information contained herein is an update to a request for information regarding a possible shut down of southern border ports of entry. This report is a follow-up to RFI (b) (7)(E) (U) Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Team Three Percent Militia Group.

(FOUO//LES) This report partially addresses (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) efforts to identify transnational criminal organizations threat to legitimate trade and travel into the STXBIC area of responsibility.

(FOUO//LES) Research on September 11, 2014 through law enforcement (b) (7)(E) revealed a continued effort by a militia group to organize a "Shutdown of All Ports of Entry" along the United States/Mexico border.

(FOUO//LES) The group's web page is composed of 1,556 members and has invited an additional 400 people to attend the September 20th event. A total of 103 members have confirmed they will be attending the event and 29 have indicated that they may attend. The group's main goal is to shut down the Ports of Entry (POE) until their demands are met according to their political views.



(b) (7)(E)

**(U) Update #2 to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border
Ports of Entry by Militia
17SEP14**

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(U) Developed by: BPA [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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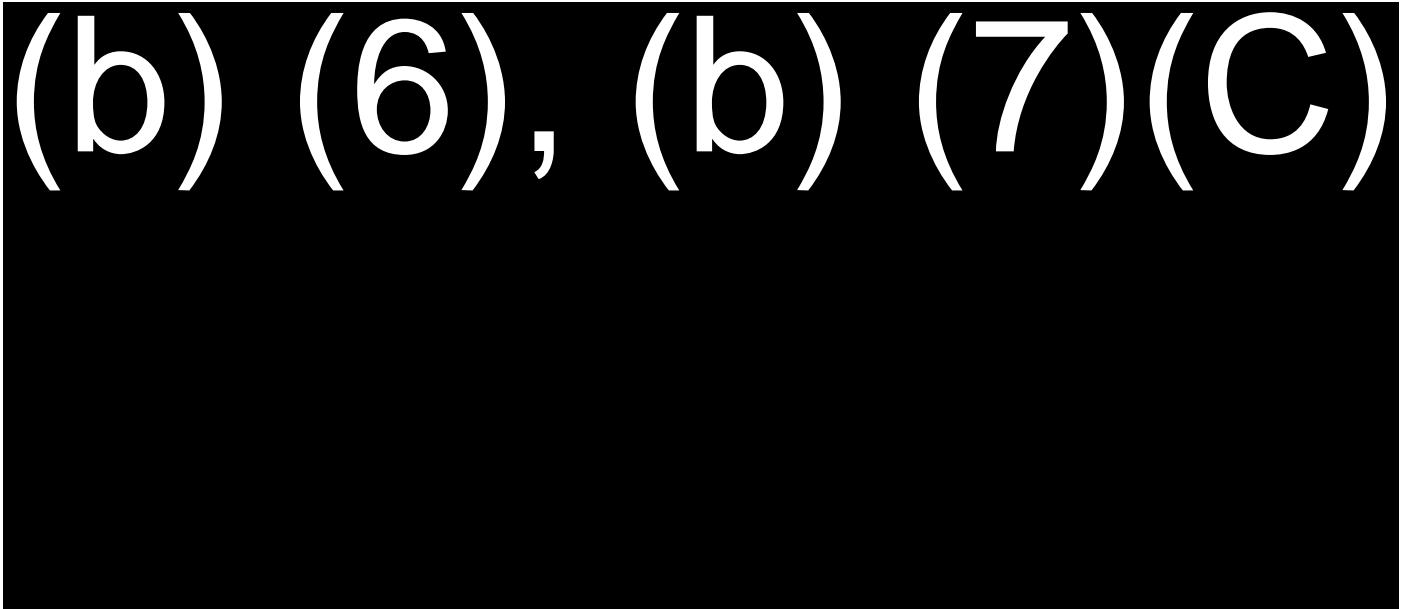
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Figure 2

Figure 3



(U) STX^{(b) (7)(E)} will continue to monitor reporting associated with the possible shut-down of the border and provide updates as they become available.

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12. (U) <http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/local/article/Militia-member-shot-at-by-Border-Patrol-is-a-5741630.php>

(U) Collaborators: BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

¹ (U) <http://www.shutdownallports.com/notifications.html>.

² (U) <http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/local/article/Militia-member-shot-at-by-Border-Patrol-is-a-5741630.php>

³ (U) <http://krgv.com/mobile/news/militia-members-arrested-in-brownsville/>

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(U) Developed by: BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is the groups spoke person who identified the following individuals as the port organizers (PO) for the following locations as of September 11, 2014:
PICTURES INCLUDED IN ATTACHMENT

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a resident of San Marcos, California and one of four administrators of the group. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has been actively encouraging members to attend the event on September 20th. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will be serving as one of the POs in California.

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is an active militia member in Laredo, Texas. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrived in Laredo, Texas with a different militia group with the intent of securing the Southern border from illegal immigrants. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is associated to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and shares the same views. (Analyst Comments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) supports the shut-down but it is unknown if she will serve as a PO and for which port).

1. (FOUO//LES) Analyst Comments: Militia members along the Southern border have been seen driving pick-up trucks and all-terrain vehicles ideal for patrolling along the Rio Grande River. The leaders of the group have encouraged bringing large vehicles capable of achieving the objective of shutting-down all ports of entry. On September 11, 2014, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) had an interview with the Los Angeles Times about the upcoming event. (U) Based on the interview, it is believed that many people in California are not enthusiastic about the September event possibly causing them to shift their focus to the Rio Grande Valley.

(FOUO//LES) The below tactics techniques and procedures (TTPs) have been identified as being used by the militia during the shut-down:

- The proposed event will begin on Saturday, September 20, 2014, in Laredo, Texas, (b) (7)(E)
- The planned event is scheduled to start at 8:00 a.m. Pacific Standard Time (PST), which will commence simultaneously throughout all time zones.
- Leaders have highlighted the need to close every POE at the same time, as the best way to accomplish their objective.
- Attendees will be notified by POs prior to the event on the proper way to accomplish their task due to the dynamics of each POE.
- Their plan of execution is to maintain a peaceful protest and obey the law.
- **Members were instructed to bring a firearm/weapon** if the state authorizes them to carry and not bring alcohol.
- Leaders have indicated this is not an armed revolt.
- Main requirements is to have enough people participating to proceed safely (Source Comment: Without the right amount of people the shut-down will not continue).
- The group leaders have requested attendees drive vehicles on their own and to bring perishable food items so they can remain at the locations indefinitely, until their demands have been met.
- The objective of the event is to close down the freeways to all incoming and outgoing traffic at every South border POE.
- Members are instructed to drive their vehicles up to the POE and turn off their engines (Source Comment: Large vehicles i.e. semis, trucks, recreational vehicles are recommended)
- Leaders have emphasized safety on the initial phase of the operation. They have pointed out that at some locations it will be necessary to make a U-turn to block outgoing traffic.

(FOUO//LES) Analyst Comments: Many of the participating members have been actively engaged in militia operations along the Southern Border, aiding in securing the Southern Border from illegal immigrants crossing the river. Recently, Militia members have engaged in incidents with United States Border Patrol (USBP) and have been apprehending undocumented aliens in the (b) (7)(E) area. Based on this incident, local law enforcement leaders have expressed concerns regarding the militia activities. One of the primary concerns for law enforcement remains the extent of militia members' participation and adherence to the action plan, as well as the level of support by non-group members demonstrating against this proposal.

- (FOUO//LES) Collaborators: BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
- (FOUO//LES) Sources: Law enforcement databases, open source, and social media:

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Director

South Texas (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2014 4:57 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: ACTION: RFI: Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s)

Thank you Sir.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Port Director

CBP-STC

(A) Chief of Staff

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2014 4:55 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: ACTION: RFI: Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s)

Yes - we will monitor the situation and adjust as necessary. We have contingency plans in place.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2014 05:40 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: ACTION: RFI: Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s)

Sir,

My apologies for this quick turnaround; and in sending the email below without discussing this issue with you or Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) but basically does OFO have a concurrence that STC would support OFO as this situation would dictate?

Please note: I was advised that you were gone for the day Sir.

Best regards,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Port Director
CBP-STC
(A)Chief of Staff

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2014 4:33 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: ACTION: RFI: Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s) - DUE: 1300 EDT - Friday, September 12, 2014

Ms. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Realizing that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) are not in the office; please work with Chief (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on this tasking. Please note that this requires a very quick turnaround...

As indicated by HQ Director –Incident Management Division; “In anticipation of these demonstrations, SWB Field Offices should begin undertaking extended enforcement and operational coordination efforts with other Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies in an effort to minimize any impacts to operations or personnel.”

The LFO will need to reflect what we are doing to support the ports.

A vital part of any LFO contingency plan will be the coordination with the South Texas Campaign.

Please discuss this issue and address what support the LFO ports of entry can expect from the STC.

The most valuable support the STC could provide would be in the area of (b) (7)(E)

Thank you...

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Port Director
CBP-STC
(A)Chief of Staff

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2014 4:15 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: ACTION: RFI: Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s) - DUE: 1300 EDT - Friday, September 12, 2014

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

This is the first I see this...I did not have email there for a while...it seems that I have been transported/upgraded to a new email process and (again) I lost a lot of information.

I'll get on this...thx.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Port Director
CBP-STC
(A)Chief of Staff

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2014 3:51 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: ACTION: RFI: Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s) - DUE: 1300 EDT - Friday, September 12, 2014
Importance: High

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Supervisory Program Manager – Border Security
Field Operations
Laredo Field Office
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 4:25 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: ACTION: RFI: Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s) - DUE: 1300 EDT - Friday, September 12, 2014

Importance: High

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Program Manager – Border Security

Field Operations

Laredo Field Office

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 3:45 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: ACTION: RFI: Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s) - DUE: 1300 EDT - Friday, September 12, 2014

Importance: High

Port Directors:

See message below from the Director, Incident Management Division.

You will need to meet with your Federal, State and Local law enforcement partners over the next couple of day and identify the actions that will take during any attempt to shut down the border. Any activity to disrupt legitimate trade and travel will in all probability be outside the FIS.

We will need to adjust the original due date and ask that you please submit your port-specific contingency plan by **COB Thursday, September 11th**.

Please call me at the numbers indicated below if you have any questions.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Program Manager – Border Security

Field Operations

Laredo Field Office

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 3:25 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fw: ACTION: RFI: Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s) - DUE: 1300 EDT - Friday, September 12, 2014

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 03:18 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); OFO-Incident-Management

Subject: ACTION: RFI: Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s) - DUE: 1300 EDT - Friday, September 12, 2014

Good Afternoon,

Organizers are promoting a “Shut Down All Ports of Entry” demonstrations scheduled to take place, simultaneously, at all ports of entry along the US/Mexico border beginning at 0800 PDT on September 20, 2014. The “Shut Down All Ports of Entry” organizers have posted on their website that the identified ports below will remain shut down until a list of demands are met, in writing, from both the United States and the Mexican governments.

In anticipation of these demonstrations, SWB Field Offices should begin undertaking extended enforcement and operational coordination efforts with other Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies in an effort to minimize any impacts to operations or personnel.

A copy of any operational adjustments/enhancements, contingency plans and coordination efforts that have been undertaken by your Field Office should be forwarded to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) group mailbox **no later than 1300 EDT, on Friday, September 12, 2014.**

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Director, Incident Management Division

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Office of Field Operations

1300 Pennsylvania Ave NW

Washington, DC 20229

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of SITROOM
Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 2:13 PM
To: CBP SITROOM- (b) (7)(E) ALERT - SOUTHERN BORDER
Cc: SITROOM
Subject: FW: UPDATE (6): S/A-Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s)

Situational Awareness:

The following information was received from the (b) (7)(E)

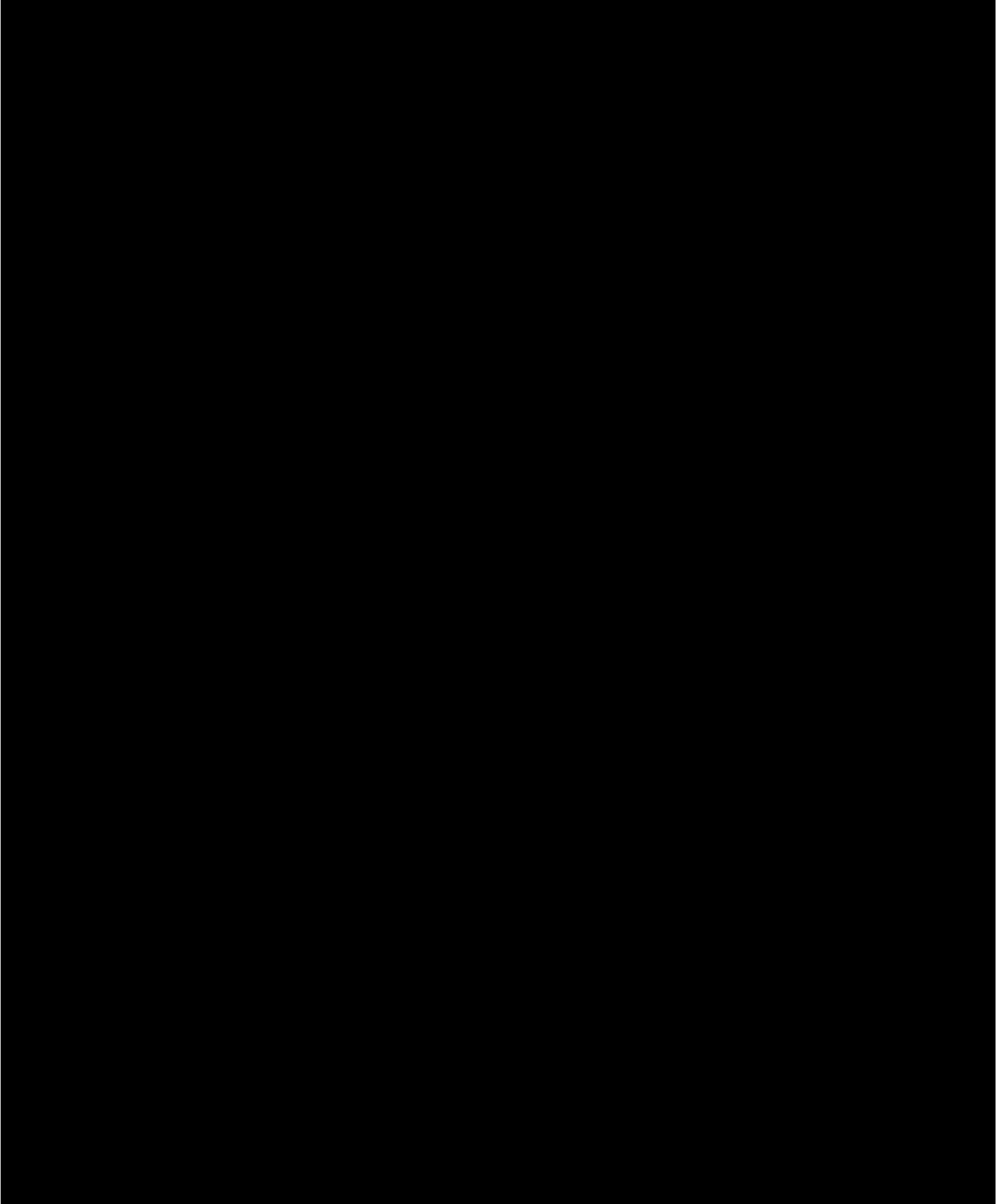
UPDATE (6):

On September 9, 2014 further research revealed the following **ports of entry** to be listed as the ports of entry organizers plan to shut down as a result of their planned simultaneous protest:

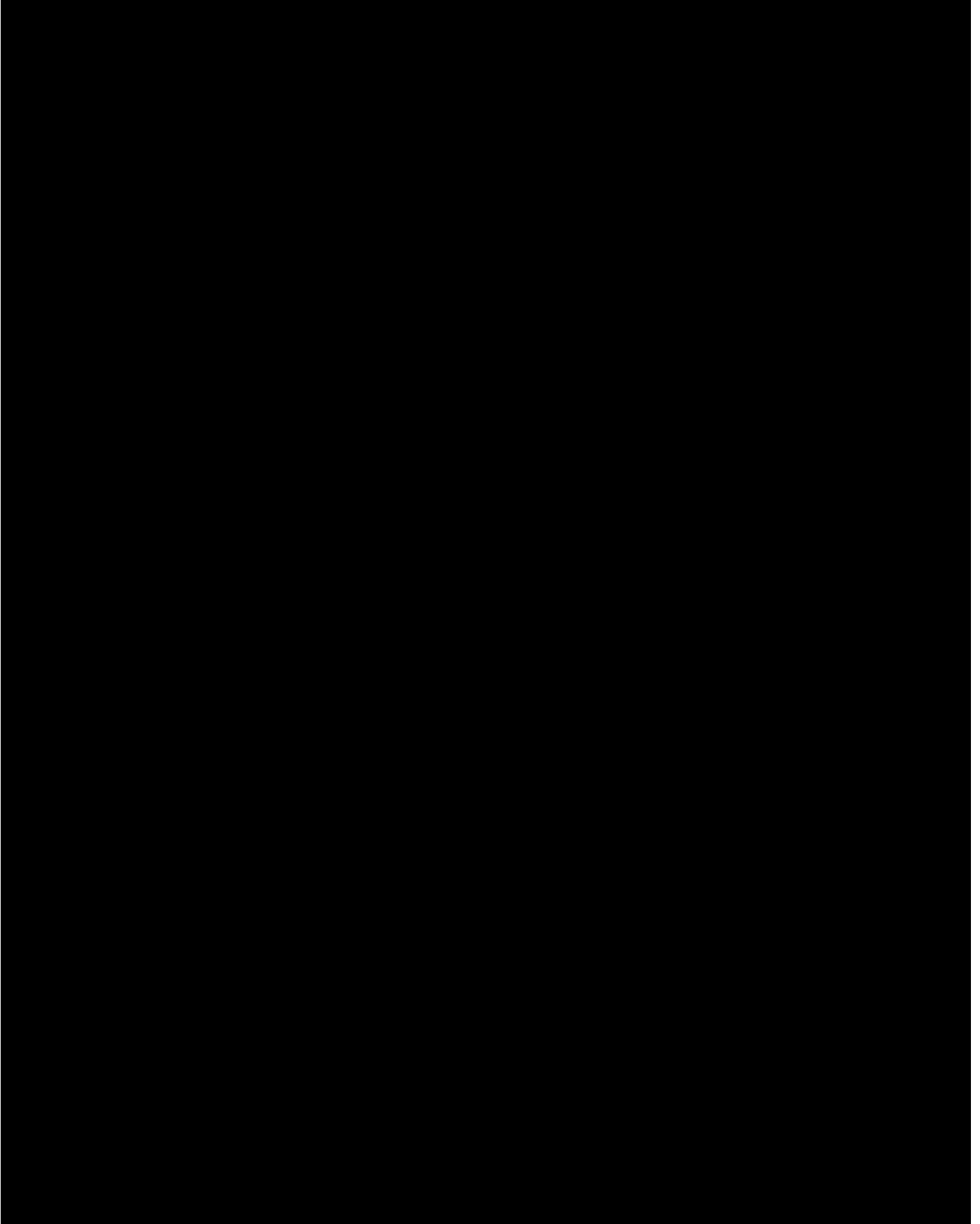
<u>Arizona</u>	<u>California</u>	<u>New Mexico</u>	<u>Texas</u>
Douglas	Andrade	Columbus	Brownsville
Lukeville	Calexico East	Santa Teresa	Del Rio
Naco	Calexico West		Eagle Pass
Nogales	Otay Mesa		El Paso
San Luis	San Ysidro		Fabens
Sasabe	Tecate		Hidalgo
			Laredo
			Progreso
			Presidio
			Rio Grande City
			Roma

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: Fw: Militia Groups
Date: Tuesday, August 05, 2014 11:20:52 PM

FYSA: Channel 4 link below indicates more militia groups arriving in the AOR.

This group "Patriots Information Hotline" are slated to arrive tomorrow and remain in RGV until Friday. No meeting/target location discussed but the piece says they maintain a website which may provide additional info (TBD).

Recent Inter-agency relevance:

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2014 10:12 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent from my mobile.

<http://www.valleycentral.com/m/news/story?id=1079664>

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final
Date: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 10:03:08 PM

FYI

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (7)(E)-TOC
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 08:54 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: RE: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

On today's date at approximately 2030 hours, (b) (7)(E)-TOC received a call from a subject with the "concerned veterans group" who advised that he and 2 other concerned veterans would be in the area around (b) (7)(E), TX and that they would possibly be setting up an LPOP. He stated that his party would be travelling in a Blue Toyota Tundra TXLP (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). He stated that 2 of them would possibly set up an LPOP and be dropped off by the third veteran and the mobile subject would relocate to the area where the DPS troopers stage up in (b) (7)(E). He did not provide the names of the other subjects and did not state if they were armed. He also stated that he would call (b) (7)(E) station and advise them of their presence. (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) units were notified of the group's location and presence.

This appears to be the same group that was reported on in the early morning hours today on MIDS (See previous ESR below).

Regards,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) **Border Patrol Station**
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E)-TOC
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 1:55 AM
To: (b) (7)(E) DIT; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E)-TOC; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

Evolving Situational Report Civilian Militia Encounter in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR October 1, 2014

(b) (7)(E) Texas
Initial/Final

On today's date at approximately 0130, (b) (7)(E) agents called and advised that they were approached by two individuals in a blue Toyota tundra van displaying TX LPs (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) near the intersection of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas. The two individuals identified themselves as militia members under the names (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Both subjects advised they would be patrolling our AOR and only acting in a deterrence and observation status during their rounds. They stated they would be patrolling across our AOR as far as (b) (7)(E). (b) (7)(E) They stated they if we needed to reach them we could do so at their numbers stated above. Subjects advised they would armed. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would be armed with an AR-15, and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would be carrying a .45 Glock pistol and an AR-15 as well.

No other information was available.

Vehicle Info:

Toyota Tundra (Blue)

TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

No updates are expected. FIR will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions please contact the (b) (7)(E) Station TOC at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) -TOC

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Militia Group
Date: Monday, August 11, 2014 9:50:47 AM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with AP called and advised that he had heard Thursday night that (b) (7)(E) BP Agents were apprehending a group near (b) (7)(E). He states that 7 armed militia appeared and began assisting. Agents believed them to be DPS or another law enforcement group before realizing they were militia.

He is asking if we have a response.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(A)SOS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGVCommunications Division
4400 S Expressway 281
Edinburg, TX 78542

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Guidance
Date: Monday, August 11, 2014 11:22:15 AM
Importance: High

(b) (6), (b)

[See message below](#)

All,

With the recent rise of Militia group encounters within the RGV AOR, we are asking everyone to remain vigilant and alert. CBP, Border Patrol does not endorse or encourage any Militia assistance.

- Agents should identify all persons arriving on scene.
 - (b) (7)(E)
- Find out which Militia group they are associated with
- Identify what they are driving (make, model and LPs)
- Ascertain if they are armed
- Submit and FIR and any other paperwork needed to fully document the incident.

Please ensure that all personnel under your command are fully aware of recent sightings and encounters as well as the above stated guidelines.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Operations Division
RGV Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Militia Group
Date: Monday, August 11, 2014 10:45:11 AM

Same statement as before regarding militia:

CBP does not endorse or support any private group or organization from taking matters into their own hands as it could have disastrous personal and public safety consequences.

CBP appreciates the efforts of concerned citizens as they act as our eyes and ears.

CBP strongly encourages concerned citizens to call the U.S. Border Patrol and/or local law enforcement authorities if they witness or suspect illegal activity.

Securing our nation's borders can be dangerous. Interdicting narcotics and deterring and apprehending individuals illegally entering the United States requires highly-trained, law enforcement personnel.

Border Patrol Agents undergo 17 weeks of specialized training and are uniquely qualified to do this type of work.

In all cases, individuals should refrain from providing transportation or other assistance to migrants that may be viewed as furtherance of illegal entry. This type of assistance to an undocumented migrant could result in prosecution.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
CBP PUBLIC AFFAIRS SPECIALIST
2401 DODSON AVENUE

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

<https://twitter.com/CBPSouthTexas>

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 8:51 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Militia Group

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with AP called and advised that he had heard Thursday night that (b) (7)(E) BP Agents were apprehending a group near (b) (7)(E). He states that 7 armed militia appeared and began assisting. Agents believed them to be DPS or another law enforcement group before realizing they were militia.

He is asking if we have a response.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: (b) (7)(E)? : Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Monday, August 11, 2014 6:24:10 PM

Spoke with (b) (7)(E), sounds t like this group will be in (b) (7)(E) for a while, lack discipline and are anti-government/Obama BUT they seem to like USBP...

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 5:12 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: (b) (7)(E)? : Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

(b) (7)(E) my cell?

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
PAIC/(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 05:08 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: (b) (7)(E); Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

(b) (7)(E)

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 3:24 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

Hello (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We just tried calling you but you were not in. When you get a chance, please give me or (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) a call in order to explain a little further on the below. We met with the group on site earlier today.

Anyway, when you get a chance as I know you are very busy.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2014 11:27 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

TF. 95% sure the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) do not own all the way to the top (b) (7)(E). I'll try and check some old maps tomorrow.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Watch Commander

(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2014 10:55 PM

To: (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

FYI,

This evening, BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) informed me that he encountered three Militia members patrolling along the (b) (7)(E) south of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised they were very courteous and offered to help us, BP in any way. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) further stated that the individuals proceeded towards (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to ask for permission to use her property to gain access to the lower (b) (7)(E).

Later in the shift, SOS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and I were patrolling in the same area and encountered the same Militia members. They introduced themselves and informed us that they were here to help in any way possible and their intention is not to get in our way or cause any problems. I advised them that our concern is the safety of the agents as well as their safety when patrolling in the same area. They informed us that they had some uniforms with IR reflective material and IR-detectable strobe lights that some do attach to their clothing in

an effort to assist in identifying their presence. They continued by describing their detection capabilities which included night vision and FLIR equipment. The one in charge identified himself as (b) (6) and said they are not Militia members but part of an independent organization who have worked in the McAllen, and Laredo areas in the past few months. They did not identify or associate themselves in any one organization. (b) (6) mentioned having a lot of support from McAllen agents but not from Laredo agents.

(b) (6) advised he owns an (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) out of Houston which is now being run by his son and a hand full of employees. (b) (6) is former military and very passionate about wanting to secure his country's border.

(b) (6) further advised there are about 10 members down here working in our AOR and plan to have about 30 to 40 more within the next week or so. They alternate shifts and currently have 24 hour coverage. (b) (6) advised they met with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) for about an hour and she has given them permission to be on her property. Their plan is to reach out to as many land owners as possible and expand their operations/coverage.

WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV OPS](#)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) [WATCH COMMANDER GROUP](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia detention
Date: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:56:17 PM

We were able to ID at least one militia member....bullets forthcoming.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:46 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: RGV OPS
Cc: (b) (7)(E) [WATCH COMMANDER GROUP](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Militia detention

Folks,

Militia on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)' property detained 3 subjects trespassing on his property. We're doing some bullets for (b) (7)(E) just to document the encounter for stats later. No claims or allegations of abuse or mistreatment when we took custody. Individual Militia members were not ID'd.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:56:52 PM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We did document the arrest and forwarded bullets yesterday. We asked all the questions last night before taking custody as outlined in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) email (see below) disseminated on August 15, 2014. Are you talking about an informational I-44 or a G2 to the Chief? If so, I don't remember that guidance being put out to the field but I could be wrong; we have no issues either way. At any rate, we have Station (b) (7)(E) already working on the FIR.

We've instructed our agents to ID these Militia folks when they want to TOT people to us and if they refuse to ID themselves we instructed them to call local PD or County before taking custody. As far as processing, (b) (7)(E) . Both subjects were offered the opportunity to speak with their respective consulate and both refused.

Let me know what OPS decides and we'll adjust where needed. I personally think (b) (7)(E) along with notifying (b) (7)(E) (through (b) (7)(E) as a courtesy on all these types of encounters.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

All,

CBP, Border Patrol does not endorse or support any private group or organization from taking matters into their own hands as it could have disastrous personal and public safety consequences. CBP appreciates the efforts of concerned citizens as they act as our eyes and ears but we strongly encourage concerned citizens to call the U.S. Border Patrol and/or local law enforcement authorities if they witness or suspect illegal activity.

Agents are reminded to be aware of their surrounding and remain vigilant at all times

- Agents should identify all persons arriving on scene or encountered while working traffic
- For subjects determined to be non-law enforcement and suspected members of militia/NGO groups:
 - Determine if subjects are armed
 - Identify mode of transportation (make, model and LPs)
 - Determine to which militia/NGO group the subject(s) are associated
 - Where the group is operating (private or public land)
 - Timeframe of their operation (if known)
 - Immediately make notification, (b) (7)(E) and other pertinent documentation for the

incident

Please ensure that all personnel under your command are fully aware of recent sightings and encounters as well as the above stated guidance.

If you have additional questions please contact RGV OPS.

Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Operations Division

RGV Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 1:08 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS

Subject: FW: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We need to document the arrest in order to protect the Service if and when they file a lawsuit alleging that the militia violated their rights and the Service covered up the facts.

I thought we forwarded guidance on militia assist and this was part of the guidance but I might be incorrect. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [have they talked to the consulate?](#)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (7)(C) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP
Subject: RE: militia
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 3:52:20 PM
Attachments: Militia Member Encounters - (b) (7)(C) AOR.DOCX

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We made contact with Lieutenant (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) who was appreciative of the heads and stated he would disseminate the information to the department Officers. He did have one question which was "were there any allegations of mistreatment", to which the answer was "no". In the future, (b) (7)(E)

[REDACTED]

As far as notifying the property owner of liabilities, we mentioned it in the meeting documented in the attachment. We'll work on the G2 and forward the packet next week once we ID all the agents involved.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:19 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

Meant to say also not always.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:16 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Please make sure this incident is always documented on memorandum. The issues raised during the debrief warrant this step. I am forwarding the recommendations from OCC on this incident.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:04 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

OK, I just spoke to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and he advised me his guys are working on the IP. Already working on the FIR.....

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 1:59 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Will need an IP on this incident. At the very least for now an FIR and an IP.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 1:57 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We did document the arrest and forwarded bullets yesterday. We asked all the questions last night before taking custody as outlined in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) email (see below) disseminated on August 15, 2014. Are you talking about an informational I-44 or a G2 to the Chief? If so, I don't remember that guidance being put out to the field but I could be wrong; we have no issues either way. At any rate, we have Station (b) (7)(E) already working on the FIR.

We've instructed our agents to ID these Militia folks when they want to TOT people to us and if they refuse to ID themselves we instructed them to call local PD or County before taking custody. As far as processing, (b) (7)(E) Both subjects were offered the opportunity to speak with their respective consulate and both refused.

Let me know what OPS decides and we'll adjust where needed. I personally think the (b) (7)(E) along with notifying (b) (7)(E) (through (b) (7)(E)) as a courtesy on all these types of encounters.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

All,

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Please ensure that all personnel under your command are fully aware of recent sightings and encounters as well as the above stated guidance.

If you have additional questions please contact RGV OPS.

Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Operations Division

RGV Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 1:08 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS

Subject: FW: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We need to document the arrest in order to protect the Service if and when they file a lawsuit alleging that the militia violated their rights and the Service covered up the facts.

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“Militia Member” Encounters - [REDACTED] AOR FY 2014

➤ August 10, 2014

- (b) (7)(E) BPA advised that three “militia members” were encountered patrolling the Rio Grande River south of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(E) during (b) (7)(E) shift. Agent reported that the “militia members” were very courteous and offered support to USBP.
- (b) (7)(E) WC and SOS encountered the same three individuals later in the shift. The subjects stated that they were here to help in any way possible and their intention was not to hinder USBP operations or cause problems.
- Concern for safety of agents and “militia members” was discussed.
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- “Militia members” stated they had night vision and FLIR equipment.
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➤ **August 11, 2014**

- (b) (7)(E) DPAIC and WC met with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and some of his group during day shift.
- Concern for everyone's safety was discussed as well as having open lines of communication.
- Concern was expressed of the possibility of one of the (b) (7)(E) agents encountering their group in the brush while armed. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised that their plan was to patrol the (b) (7)(E) road and monitor the river. The group is aware of the (b) (7)(E) Station contact numbers in case they need to report any activity.
- (b) (7)(E)
- They are armed and at least one in the group has an AR 15 with a scope.
- The number with military background is approximately 50/50.
- No real command structure
- The guy in charge is (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and the command phone number is (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

➤ **OA Notifications for awareness**

- (b) (7)(E) County SO
Lt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised he would brief the sheriff
- (b) (7)(E) Police Dept.
Sgt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised he would be messaging the info out at their roll calls
- US Fish and Wildlife
Officer (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised he would brief all the wildlife officers in the area and that they have similar activity in the (b) (7)(E) area
- Texas Parks and Wildlife
Game Warden (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised he would let all the (b) (7)(E) area Game Wardens know
- (b) (7)(E) County Constable Pct 2
Constable (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised he would meet with the group at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: FW: militia
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:07:45 PM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: Fw: Militia Group
Date: Monday, August 11, 2014 9:59:50 AM

Need a message to the Field Commanders to ensure their personnel are identifying persons arriving on scene.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 09:50 AM Eastern Standard Time
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Militia Group

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with AP called and advised that he had heard Thursday night that (b) (7)(E) BP Agents were apprehending a group near (b) (7)(E). He states that 7 armed militia appeared and began assisting. Agents believed them to be DPS or another law enforcement group before realizing they were militia.

He is asking if we have a response.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(A)SOS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGVCommunications Division
4400 S Expressway 281
Edinburg, TX 78542

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia Group
Date: Monday, August 11, 2014 10:49:19 AM

T4.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 09:45 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Militia Group

Same statement as before regarding militia:

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Securing our nation's borders can be dangerous. Interdicting narcotics and deterring and apprehending individuals illegally entering the United States requires highly-trained, law enforcement personnel.

Border Patrol Agents undergo 17 weeks of specialized training and are uniquely qualified to do this type of work.

In all cases, individuals should refrain from providing transportation or other assistance to migrants that may be viewed as furtherance of illegal entry. This type of assistance to an undocumented migrant could result in prosecution.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
CBP PUBLIC AFFAIRS SPECIALIST
2401 DODSON AVENUE
DEL RIO, TEXAS
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
<https://twitter.com/CBPSouthTexas>

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 8:51 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Militia Group

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(A)

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RGVCommunications Division
4400 S Expressway 281
Edinburg, TX 78542
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: (b) (7)(E)? : Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Monday, August 11, 2014 6:24:10 PM

Spoke with (b) (7)(E), sounds t like this group will be in (b) (7)(E) for a while, lack discipline and are anti-government/Obama BUT they seem to like USBP...

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 5:12 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: (b) (7)(E)? : Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

(b) (7) my cell?

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
PAIC/(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 05:08 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: (b) (7)(E)? : Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

(b) (7)(E)?

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 3:24 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

Hello (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We just tried calling you but you were not in. When you get a chance, please give me or (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) a call in order to explain a little further on the below. We met with the group on site earlier today.

Anyway, when you get a chance as I know you are very busy.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2014 11:27 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

TF. 95% sure the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) do not own all the way to the top (b) (7)(E). I'll try and check some old maps tomorrow.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Watch Commander

(b) (7)(E) wn Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2014 10:55 PM

To: (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

FYI,

This evening, BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) informed me that he encountered three Militia members patrolling along the (b) (7)(E) south of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised they were very courteous and offered to help us, BP in any way. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) further stated that the individuals proceeded towards (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to ask for permission to use her property to gain access to the lower (b) (7)(E).

Later in the shift, SOS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and I were patrolling in the same area and encountered the same Militia members. They introduced themselves and informed us that they were here to help in any way possible and their intention is not to get in our way or cause any problems. I advised them that our concern is the safety of the agents as well as their safety when patrolling in the same area. They informed us that they had some uniforms with IR reflective material and IR-detectable strobe lights that some do attach to their clothing in

an effort to assist in identifying their presence. They continued by describing their detection capabilities which included night vision and FLIR equipment. The one in charge identified himself as (b) (6) and said they are not Militia members but part of an independent organization who have worked in the McAllen, and Laredo areas in the past few months. They did not identify or associate themselves in any one organization. (b) (6) mentioned having a lot of support from McAllen agents but not from Laredo agents.

(b) (6) advised he owns an electric company out of Houston which is now being run by his son and a hand full of employees. (b) (6) is former military and very passionate about wanting to secure his country's border.

(b) (6) further advised there are about 10 members down here working in our AOR and plan to have about 30 to 40 more within the next week or so. They alternate shifts and currently have 24 hour coverage. (b) (6) advised they met with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) for about an hour and she has given them permission to be on her property. Their plan is to reach out to as many land owners as possible and expand their operations/coverage.

WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final
Date: Thursday, October 02, 2014 7:25:24 PM

FYI

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (7)(E)-TOC
Sent: Thursday, October 02, 2014 06:22 PM
To: (b) (7)(E)-TOC; (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: RE: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

On today's date, at approximately 1815 hours, the same subject listed below "(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)" called the (b) (7)(E)-TOC stating that he and one other concerned veteran will be patrolling in the (b) (7)(E) area tonight. He stated that they will be in the same vehicle listed below and will be performing the same type of function.

Regards,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)-TOC

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E)-TOC
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 8:54 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: RE: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

On today's date at approximately 2030 hours, (b) (7)(E)-TOC received a call from a subject with the "concerned veterans group" who advised that he and 2 other concerned veterans would be in the area around (b) (7)(E), TX and that they would possibly be setting up an LPOP. He stated that his party would be travelling in a Blue Toyota Tundra TXLP (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). He stated that 2 of them would possibly set up an LPOP and be dropped off by the third veteran and the mobile subject would relocate to the area where the DPS troopers stage up in (b) (7)(E). He did not provide the names of the other subjects and did not state if they were armed. He also stated that he would call (b) (7)(E) station and advise them of their presence. (b) (7)(E) far west units were notified of the group's location and presence.

This appears to be the same group that was reported on in the early morning hours today on MIDS (See previous ESR below).

Regards,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) **Border Patrol Station**
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E)-TOC
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 1:55 AM
To: (b) (7)(E) DIT; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E)-TOC; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

Evolving Situational Report
Civilian Militia Encounter in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
October 1, 2014
(b) (7)(E), Texas
Initial/Final

On today's date at approximately 0130, (b) (7)(E) agents called and advised that they were approached by two individuals in a blue Toyota tundra van displaying TX LPs (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) near the intersection of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas. The two individuals identified themselves as militia members under the names (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

Both subjects advised they would be patrolling our AOR and only acting in a deterrence and observation status during their rounds. They stated they would be patrolling across our AOR as far as (b) (7)(E). (b) (7)(E) They stated they if we needed to reach them we could do so at their numbers stated above. Subjects advised they would armed. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would be armed with an AR-15, and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would be carrying a .45 Glock pistol and an AR-15 as well.

No other information was available.

Vehicle Info:

Toyota Tundra (Blue)
TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

No updates are expected. FIR will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions please contact the (b) (7)(E) Station TOC at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) **-TOC**

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV OPS](#)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) [WATCH COMMANDER GROUP](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia detention
Date: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:56:17 PM

We were able to ID at least one militia member....bullets forthcoming.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:46 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: RGV OPS
Cc: (b) (7)(E) [WATCH COMMANDER GROUP](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Militia detention

Folks,

Militia on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)' property detained 3 subjects trespassing on his property. We're doing some bullets for (b) (7)(E) just to document the encounter for stats later. No claims or allegations of abuse or mistreatment when we took custody. Individual Militia members were not ID'd.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) ; [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: RE: Militia Group Guidance
Date: Friday, August 15, 2014 12:00:00 PM

Thanks (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) outstanding!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Operations Division
RGV Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 15, 2014 10:53 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Militia Group Guidance

Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Attached is the IDS slide that was created by RGV Communications Division. The slide was mass email and displayed on IDS throughout the sector.

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Sector
Communications Division

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 15, 2014 10:35 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Group Guidance

Didn't we do a slide on this?

If so, send it to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

-----Original Message-----

From: RGV-PAO
Sent: Friday, August 15, 2014 10:22 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Group Guidance

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2014 10:21:50 AM (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada)

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS; RGV-PAO

Subject: Militia Group Guidance

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Operations Division

RGV Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:56:52 PM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Operations Division

RGV Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 1:08 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS

Subject: FW: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: FW: Texas Militia
Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2014 4:39:48 PM

-Unconfirmed as of this report-

Militia possibly setting up game cameras at/near (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property (agents trying to confirm)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2014 3:37 PM
To: (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SUPV
Subject: Texas Militia

On today's date, BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that a member of the Texas Militia, advised him that they were placing game camera(s) along a landing at/near (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property. He also informed BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) that the pictures taken from the game camera(s) would be available for our use. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was unable to confirm the validity and/or location of the game camera(s). Intel, try and ascertain if game cameras were placed in the (b) (7)(E) AOR, and if so, the location of those cameras.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Subject: Fw: Minute men in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Saturday, August 02, 2014 7:08:27 PM

FYI

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting PAIC

RGV Sector

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2014 06:07 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E)

Subject: Minute men in (b) (7)(E) AOR

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Let the DPS Command Post know.

(b) (7)(E) TOC has info. _____

Be advised that four male subjects belonging to a militia group of the Texas Republican Militia made contact with one of (b) (7)(E) agent by (b) (7)(E) area near the levee. They were advised that they could not be in the area and if they had any questions to contact RGV PAO. They stated that they had just arrived from Houston, Texas and were going to be in the area.

They were driving a Silver Chevrolet four door pickup, TXLP (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)).

Thanks.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting PAIC

RGV Sector

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Subject: Fw: Report of Militia in (b) (7)(E) Area - Evenings and Nights
Date: Friday, August 01, 2014 8:00:11 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
Importance: High

FYI

From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Special Operations Supervisor
Rio Grande Valley Sector

(b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 01, 2014 04:30 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Report of Militia in (b) (7)(E) Area - Evenings and Nights

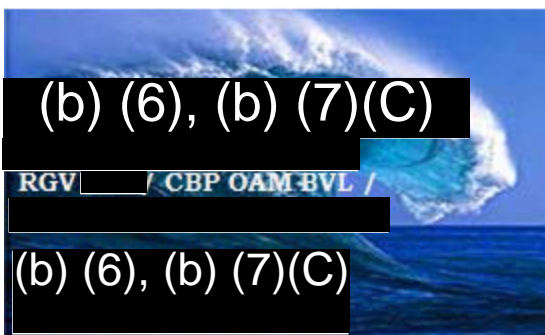
Gents,

I received word today that folks are reporting armed militia men in the (b) (7)(E) area during evening and night hours.

They were described as "rednecks with guns." (That also describes where I grew up)

No further info at this time. If I run into them I'll find out their militia name and the name of their leader and pass it on.

Thanks



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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: [RGV OPS](#); [WATCH COMMANDER GROUP](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 5:42:56 PM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Please ensure that the two subjects completely understand their right to speak to a consular official. If they still reject the right, both consuls will respect that decision, but are requesting that I send in writing that their nationals are rejecting the opportunity to speak to a consular official. This is a CYA for them.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 3:00 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; [WATCH COMMANDER GROUP](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

OK, sounds like a plan (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). We're hold the bodies for today and if there are no further concerns tomorrow, we'll route them to ERO.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:58 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; [WATCH COMMANDER GROUP](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

FYSA, I will be speaking with the consuls shortly. I will let them know about these two individuals' detention, as well as the fact that they declined consular contact and are not alleging anything or complaining. I will advise if there is any desire by either consul to interview by phone or in person.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:52 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP
Subject: RE: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We made contact with Lieutenant (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) who was appreciative of the heads and stated he would disseminate the information to the department Officers. He did have one question which was "were there any allegations of mistreatment", to which the answer was "no". In the future, if there are allegations he requested we contact them for appropriate action.

As far as notifying the property owner of liabilities, we mentioned it in the meeting documented in the attachment. We'll work on the G2 and forward the packet next week once we ID all the agents involved.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:19 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

Meant to say also not always.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:16 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Please make sure this incident is always documented on memorandum. The issues raised during the debrief warrant this step. I am forwarding the recommendations from OCC on this incident.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:04 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

OK, I just spoke to (b) (6), (b) (7)(F) and he advised me his guys are working on the IP. Already working on the FIR.....

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 1:59 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Will need an IP on this incident. At the very least for now an FIR and an IP.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 1:57 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We did document the arrest and forwarded bullets yesterday. We asked all the questions last night before taking custody as outlined in (b) (6), (b) (7)(F) email (see below) disseminated on August 15, 2014. Are you talking about an informational I-44 or a G2 to the Chief? If so, I don't remember that guidance being put out to the field but I could be wrong; we have no issues either way. At any rate, we have Station (b) (7)(E) already working on the FIR.

We've instructed our agents to ID these Militia folks when they want to TOT people to us and if they refuse to ID themselves we instructed them to call local PD or County before taking custody. As far as processing, (b) (7)(E) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]. Both subjects were offered the opportunity to speak with their respective consulate and both refused.

Let me know what OPS decides and we'll adjust where needed. I personally think (b) (7)(E) [REDACTED], along with notifying (b) (7)(E) [REDACTED] through (b) (7)(E) [REDACTED] as a courtesy on all these types of encounters.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(F)

All,

CBP, Border Patrol does not endorse or support any private group or organization from taking matters into their own hands as it could have disastrous personal and public safety consequences. CBP appreciates the efforts of concerned citizens as they act as our eyes and ears but we strongly encourage concerned citizens to call the U.S. Border Patrol and/or local law enforcement authorities if they witness or suspect illegal activity.

Agents are reminded to be aware of their surrounding and remain vigilant at all times

- Agents should identify all persons arriving on scene or encountered while working traffic
- For subjects determined to be non-law enforcement and suspected members of militia/NGO groups:
 - Determine if subjects are armed
 - Identify mode of transportation (make, model and LPs)
 - Determine to which militia/NGO group the subject(s) are associated
 - Where the group is operating (private or public land)
 - Timeframe of their operation (if known)
 - Immediately make notification, (b) (7)(E) and other pertinent documentation for the incident

Please ensure that all personnel under your command are fully aware of recent sightings and encounters as well as the above stated guidance.

If you have additional questions please contact RGV OPS.

Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Operations Division

RGV Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 1:08 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS

Subject: FW: militia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We need to document the arrest in order to protect the Service if and when they file a lawsuit alleging that the militia violated their rights and the Service covered up the facts.

I thought we forwarded guidance on militia assist and this was part of the guidance but I might be incorrect. (b) (6), (b) (7)(F) have they talked to the consulate?

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; RIO007A-(b) (7)(E) WATCHCOMMANDERS
Subject: RE: Notification: Militia Encounter
Date: Monday, September 01, 2014 9:20:50 AM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Good morning, 10-4

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
WC (b) (7)(E) STATION
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, September 01, 2014 8:19 AM
To: RIO007A-(b) (7)(E)-WATCHCOMMANDERS
Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Notification: Militia Encounter

FYSA

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Executive Officer of Operations
RGV Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(E)-TOC
Sent: Monday, September 01, 2014 04:09 AM
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: Notification: Militia Encounter

On 9/1/14 at about 3:00 a.m., (b) (7)(E) Agents encountered a red Jeep in the (b) (7)(E) area in (b) (7)(E). The 3 occupants of the Jeep identified themselves as members of the Concerned Citizens of America militia group who is scouting the area for subsequent deployment of up to 300 additional militia group members. The subjects had in their possession, 2 AR-15s, 1 AK-47 and one more rifle of undetermined caliber. The red Jeep was bearing TX LP (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). The subjects were identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[Redacted]
[Redacted]
[Redacted]

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[Redacted]
[Redacted]

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The same group in the red Jeep were encountered by (b) (7)(E) Agents on (b) (7)(E) at about 3:30 a.m.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Photo-DL
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:13:36 PM

Updated Encounter IP forthcoming.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
SOS-RGV (b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 07:01 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Photo-DL

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 7:01 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]
Subject: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Photo-DL

Good Evening Chief (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We have been encountering militia folks along the RGV for a few months now. At this time most of the militia activity has been based out of Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farm (located several miles downriver from (b) (7)(E) POE) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Farms located between the (b) (7)(E) and (b) (7)(E) POEs. The Texas Militia Group is camped out at Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farm and I don't recall the name of the group that is camped out at the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Place. There have been a few other groups encountered here and there but those have been groups just driving by looking for activity. I believe that I have a Militia IP in the can, I will look for it and send it to you.

We have had 3 incidents with Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (kind of the lead of the Texas Militia Group), one at

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) HQ, One at (b) (7)(E) Checkpoint and now this shooting incident (Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was one of the 3 armed militia in this latest incident). I have attached some FIR's and information. For the most part we know where they are operating and when. The group out of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has even called (b) (7)(E) to advise where they will be...

In addition below is an ESR on an encounter late last night.

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E)

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV (b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:28 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Subjects detained by Militia

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

On August 28, 2014, at approximately 8:30 PM., (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), a land owner in the (b) (7)(E) AOR, called the station to report that his guys had detained three subjects who were trespassing on his property. Supervisor (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) then notified agents working near the area to respond to the call. Agents arrived near a washout, the south end of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property, and conducted an immigration inspection on all three subjects. Once it was determined that the three subjects had no legal right to be in the U.S., agents took custody of the subjects without incident. Agents then obtained information on the militia member who had detained the three subjects. The subjects did not make any allegations or complaints of mistreatment or abuse by any of the militia members. The subjects were transported to the (b) (7)(E) Station and are currently going through processing procedures.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS:

- 8:30 PM (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) calls the station and speaks to SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

regarding three individuals that were detained by members of a militia who have (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) permission to be on the property.

- 8:31 PM Call goes out to agents working in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) AOR to respond to the traffic.
- 8:36 PM Agents (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrive at the scene to conduct immigration inspections on the three subjects.
- 8:40 PM Subject were taken into custody without incident.

(b) (7)(E)

Militia member was identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Guidance
Date: Thursday, August 14, 2014 8:35:07 AM
Importance: High

This was the Militia guidelines that were put together.

All,

With the recent rise of Militia group encounters within the RGV AOR, we are asking everyone to remain vigilant and alert. CBP, Border Patrol does not endorse or support any private group or organization from taking matters into their own hands as it could have disastrous personal and public safety consequences.

- Agents should identify all persons arriving on scene.
 - (b) (7)(E)
- Ascertain if they are armed
- Identify what they are driving (make, model and LPs)
- Find out which Militia group they are associated with
- (b) (7)(E) and any other paperwork needed to fully document the incident.

Thank them for their efforts and assure them that:

- CBP appreciates the efforts of concerned citizens as they act as our eyes and ears.
- CBP strongly encourages concerned citizens to call the U.S. Border Patrol and/or local law enforcement authorities if they witness or suspect illegal activity.
- Remind them that individuals should refrain from providing transportation or other assistance to migrants that may be viewed as furtherance of illegal entry. This type of assistance to an undocumented migrant could result in prosecution.

Please ensure that all personnel under your command are fully aware of recent sightings and encounters as well as the above stated guidelines.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Operations Division
RGV Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[Redacted]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Militia Group
Date: Monday, August 11, 2014 1:41:59 PM

Might incorporate some the verbiage here in the email you are drafting.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 10:49 AM Eastern Standard Time
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia Group

T4.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 09:45 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Militia Group

Same statement as before regarding militia:

CBP does not endorse or support any private group or organization from taking matters into their own hands as it could have disastrous personal and public safety consequences.

CBP appreciates the efforts of concerned citizens as they act as our eyes and ears.

CBP strongly encourages concerned citizens to call the U.S. Border Patrol and/or local law enforcement authorities if they witness or suspect illegal activity.

Securing our nation's borders can be dangerous. Interdicting narcotics and deterring and apprehending individuals illegally entering the United States requires highly-trained, law enforcement personnel.

Border Patrol Agents undergo 17 weeks of specialized training and are uniquely qualified to do this type of work.

In all cases, individuals should refrain from providing transportation or other assistance to migrants that may be viewed as furtherance of illegal entry. This type of assistance to an undocumented migrant could result in prosecution.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
2401 DODSON AVENUE
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 8:51 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Militia Group

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with AP called and advised that he had heard Thursday night that (b) (7)(E) BP Agents were apprehending a group near (b) (7)(E). He states that 7 armed militia appeared and began assisting. Agents believed them to be DPS or another law enforcement group before realizing they were militia.

He is asking if we have a response.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(A)SOS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGVCommunications Division

4400 S Expressway 281

Edinburg, TX 78542

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia guidelines
Date: Friday, August 15, 2014 10:39:52 AM
Attachments: [Guidelines on Militia Encounters.docx](#)

Version 3 for review.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Operations Division
RGV Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 15, 2014 8:09 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Militia guidelines

For Review

All,

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Agents are reminded to be aware of their surrounding and remain vigilant at all times

- Agents should identify all persons arriving on scene or encountered while working traffic
 - o (b) (7)(E)
- Ascertain if they are armed
- Identify what they are driving (make, model and LPs)
- Find out which Militia group they are associated with
- Immediately make notification and (b) (7)(E) to include any other paperwork needed to fully document the incident

Please ensure that all personnel under your command are fully aware of recent sightings and encounters as well as the above stated guidelines.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Operations Division
RGV Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

All,

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Cc: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: Fw: Armed Militia in the AOR - approached unmarked vehicles
Date: Wednesday, July 30, 2014 7:53:40 PM

FYSA

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Patrol Agent in Charge
(b) (7)(E) BP Station
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Via Blackberry

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2014 06:34 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Armed Militia in the AOR - approached unmarked vehicles

OBP Partners,

Sorry to fill up your inbox...

This is an officer safety issue, for those of us in (b) (7)(E), (b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) etc.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Supervisory Special Agent
ASU / Human Smuggling / OBP Liaison Group
Homeland Security Investigations
(b) (7)(E) Texas
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2014 6:28 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Militia

All,

Just a precaution for your groups, last night while working a late night ops near (b) (7)(E) area a group of armed men in camo approached two agents who identified themselves as militia. These guys were armed and claimed to be

down here protecting the border. Subjects left after the two agents identified themselves.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Special Agent/White Sands HIDTA

Homeland Security Investigations / (b) (7)(E) Texas

Department of Homeland Security

Office: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cell: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

“Attack the command and control structure of Gulf Cartel (CDG) operating in the United States and Mexico”

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of [RGV](#) [REDACTED]

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E) GML ; MAL017A-960; OPS EAST/CENTRAL SECTORS; STC AREA MCALLEN GML; STC DIVISION J2
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV [REDACTED]
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]; MAL017A-960;
OPS EAST/CENTRAL SECTORS; STC AREA MCALLEN GML; STC DIVISION J2 (b) (7)(E) GML; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Cc: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS
Subject: Situational Awareness: Militia Telephonic Notification
Date: Saturday, October 04, 2014 10:31:48 PM
Attachments: [Militia Telephonic Notification 10-4-2014.pdf](#)
Importance: High

Alcon,

Attached and below is a situational awareness concerning the unconfirmed presence of the Texas Defense Network Militia in the (b) (7)(E), TX area tonight.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

October 4, 2014

On October 4, 2014, the Rio Grande Valley (b) (7)(E) received information via the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station's Tactical Operations Center (b) (7)(E)-TOC regarding the unconfirmed presence of the Texas Defense Network Militia in (b) (7)(E), TX near (b) (7)(E) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) a member of this militia group, called the (b) (7)(E)-TOC and advised of their presence in the area. Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that his group would be traveling in a white suburban TX LP (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). No other names were provided. Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) did not provide information regarding whether or not the group would be armed. The subjects were advised to report all illegal activity to the U.S. Border Patrol.

Contact Info:
No contact information provided

Vehicle Info:
Chevrolet Suburban (White)
TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E) [REDACTED]

The RGV (b) (7)(E) will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as they become

available.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RIO007A (b) (7)(E) SUPERVISORS
Subject: FW: Situational Awareness: Militia Telephonic Notification
Date: Thursday, October 02, 2014 9:29:31 PM
Attachments: Militia Telephonic Conversation 10-2-2014.pdf
Importance: High

FYSA

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of RGV (b) (7)(E)

Sent: Thursday, October 02, 2014 8:28 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS

Subject: Situational Awareness: Militia Telephonic Notification

Importance: High

Alcon,

Attached and below is a situational awareness concerning an unknown armed militia group which will be patrolling in the (b) (7)(E), TX area tonight.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

On October 2, 2014, the Rio Grande Valley (b) (7)(E) received information via the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station regarding an unidentified militia group patrolling the (b) (7)(E) TX area. Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised that he and one other concerned veteran, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), will be patrolling the (b) (7)(E), TX area tonight. He advised they would be patrolling and only acting in a deterrence and observation status. He advised they would be armed with an assault rifle (AR-15). The subjects were advised to report all illegal activity to the U.S. Border Patrol.

Contact Info:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Vehicle Info:

Toyota Tundra (Blue)

TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

The RGV (b) (7)(E) will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as they become available.

A L E R T

(b) (7)(E)

U.S Border Patrol, Rio Grande Valley Sector – (b) (7)(E)

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

October 4, 2014

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

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For any questions, please contact the RGV (b) (7)(E) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of [SITROOM](#)
To: [DIRECTORS FIELD OPS](#); [MISSION SUPPORT ASST DIRECTORS](#); [BORDER SECURITY ASST DIRECTORS](#); [TRADE OPERATIONS ASST DIRECTORS](#); [CBP SITROOM-\(b\) \(7\)\(E\)](#); [ALERT - SOUTHERN BORDER](#); [CBP SITROOM-\(b\) \(7\)\(E\)](#); [ALERT - NORTH BORDER-COASTAL](#)
Cc: [SITROOM](#); [CBP SITROOM- HQ SITUATIONAL AWARENESS](#); [CBP SITROOM- OFO LIAISONS](#)
Subject: (U//FOUO) Armed Biker Gang Plans "Draw Muhammad Cartoon Contest/Protest"—Phoenix, Arizona.
Date: Thursday, May 28, 2015 9:08:19 PM
Attachments: [CBP \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) Bikers Plan Armed Protest Outside Mosque.pdf](#)

The following information is being disseminated at the request of the CBP (b) (7)(E))

(U//FOUO) Armed Biker Gang Plans "Draw Muhammad Cartoon Contest/Protest"—Phoenix, Arizona.

28 May 2015

(U//FOUO) In response to the Garland, Texas attack at the "Draw Muhammad Contest" on 03 May 2015, an event called "Freedom of Speech Rally Round II" including a "Draw Muhammad Contest" is scheduled to take place in front of the Islamic Community Center of Phoenix at 7516 N Black Canyon Hwy, Phoenix, Arizona 8505, on 29 May 2015 at 6:15 PM MST, according to open source media analysis.

(U//FOUO) The event is being hosted by a motorcycle enthusiast with links to the Hell's Angels, Arizona State Militia and numerous atheist and anti-religious groups. Participants have been actively encouraged to bring firearms to the event "just in case our first amendment comes under the much anticipated attack."

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(U//FOUO) According to open source media reports, the event has gained national attention, drawing both support and condemnation. According to analysis of public media commentary, many participants plan on wearing clothing and using inflammatory depictions of religious figures at the event.

(U//FOUO) Currently there are no known specific threats at this time against the event titled "Freedom of Speech Rally Round II"; however, homegrown violent extremists inspired by Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) or al-Qaida could conduct retaliatory attacks either locally or elsewhere in the United States without any advanced warning.

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(U) FEEDBACK: For general comments or questions related to the information contained within this document please e-mail the CBP (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E)

Watch inbox at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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CBP (b) (7)(E)

¹ Freedom of Speech Rally Round II Facebook Page Retrieved May 28, 2015, from <https://www.facebook.com/events/1630892790456240/>

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³ Armed Bikers Plan to Draw Cartoons of Mohammed Outside a Mosque in Arizona. Retrieved May 28, 2015, from <http://foreignpolicy.com/2015/05/28/armed-bikers-plan-to-draw-cartoons-of-mohammed-outside-a-mosque-in-arizona/>

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)
To: RGV OPS; A (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA
Subject: Situational Awareness
Date: Friday, September 19, 2014 10:38:41 PM
Attachments: [Situational Awareness Militia Ports Shutdown .pdf](#)
Importance: High

ALCON,

Attached and below is a Situational Awareness regarding several militia groups to simultaneously block the Port of Entries (POE) along the US/Mexico border on September 20, 2014.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

In light of recent announcements through social media by several militia groups to simultaneously block the Port of Entries (POE) along the US/Mexico border on September 20, 2014, the RGV (b) (7)(E) is requesting to be carbon copied on emails between RGV Stations and the Office of Field Operations (OFO) regarding any encounters or observation of Militia members near the POE's.

Several POE's along the RGV Sector have been listed as targets. The alleged blockades are scheduled to begin at approximately 8 a.m. on September 20, 2014. Militia members are planning to utilize large vehicles (semis, trucks, RV's, horse trailers) to block roads leading to and from the POE's.

(b) (7)(E)

The RGV (b) (7)(E) will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as they become available.

A L E R T

(b) (7)(E)

U.S Border Patrol, Rio Grande Valley Sector – (b) (7)(E)

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

September 19, 2014

In light of recent announcements through social media posts to simultaneously block the Port of Entries (POE) along the RGV Sector, Mexico, on September 20, 2014, the (b) (7)(E) requesting to be carbon copied between RGV Sector and the Office of Field Operations (OFO) regarding reports or observation of Militia members near the POE's.

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(b) (7)(E)

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For any questions, please contact the RGV (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(E) PAIC; (b) (7)(E) PAIC; (b) (7)(E) 013A-WatchCommanders; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-WC; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) 007A-WATCHCOMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC; (b) (7)(E) PAIC Group; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Issue Paper: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Date: Wednesday, September 03, 2014 11:25:37 AM
Attachments: FW Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR.msg

GM,

See attached "Unofficial" IP

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Operations Division
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 02, 2014 10:59 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Issue Paper: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

On the following encounter, can we/should we add the info the subjects provided (highlighted), once they had arrived at (b) (7)(E)

August 28, 2014, (b) (7)(E)
Border Patrol Agents from (b) (7)(E) responded to a call from a local land owner who advised that the "Texas Militia" group had detained three possible undocumented aliens by the Rio Grande River bank near a landmark commonly referred to as the (b) (7)(E). This landmark is located approximately (b) (7)(E). (b) (7)(E) Agents were immediately dispatched to the aforementioned location to interview the three subjects as to their citizenship. Agents determined that all three subjects, two males and one female, were all present in the United States illegally and were taken into custody. Agents then obtained information on the militia member who had detained the three subjects. The subjects did not make any allegations or complaints of mistreatment or abuse by any of the militia members at the time of apprehension. The subjects were transported to the (b) (7)(E) Station for processing and disposition.

Once at (b) (7)(E) two of the three subjects were debriefed and one of subjects, an adult Guatemalan female, stated they felt threatened by members of the "Militia" because weapons were visible and a hand gun was pointed in her direction. She stated she feared being shot by the "Militia". Subject claimed black plastic restraints were placed on both hands very tightly causing some discomfort and markings on her skin. Subject claimed she was patted down on her waist area and chest area by members of the "Militia". After her hands were tied down she was carried off the ground and placed on the back off the "Gator" utility vehicle.



The other subject, an adult Honduran male, stated he thought the "Militia" were the U.S. Army soldiers because of the camouflage attire they were dressed in. He stated the command given was "STOP PUTOS" in a loud and intimidating tone of voice. They were instructed "SIT - SIT" which he understood as to sit down / get down on the ground. He stated one of the members had two weapons, a long rifle pointed towards the ground and a hand pistol that was being pointed in his direction. He stated black in color plastic tie downs were used to restrain his hands behind his back. He stated his cellular phone and wallet were removed from his pockets by members of the "Army". He stated the "Army" members took photographs of them and were given bottled water.



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 02, 2014 10:04 AM
To: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Issue Paper: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Importance: High

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
SOS-RGV
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, September 01, 2014 05:17 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Issue Paper: [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sir,

Attached is the Issue Paper for review involving association/encounters between [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). The 4th quarter RGV [REDACTED] (b) (7)(E) password will open the document. Below is the hyperlink to go directly to the IP.

[REDACTED] (b) (7)(E)

Regards,

[REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). / RGV [REDACTED] (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of [SITROOM](#)
To: [CBP SITROOM- REPORTS - CBP MORNING REPORT](#); [CBP SITROOM CBP LEADERSHIP](#)
Cc: [SITROOM](#)
Subject: Commissioner's Significant Incident Report for November 19, 2016
Date: Friday, November 18, 2016 10:28:42 PM

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) Sector – (b) (7)(E) Station

Date of Incident: 11/17/2016

(b) (7)(E)

Location: (b) (7)(E) AZ

Type of Incident: Media Interest

On November 17, 2017, U.S. Border Patrol agents assigned to the (b) (7)(E) Arizona Station responded to call by an Arizona Border Recon member, accompanied by an Univision news crew, regarding a subject in distress near (b) (7)(E) Arizona. Agents responded and arrested a Mexican national. The subject declined medical attention and was transported to the station for processing. Univision filmed the encounter.

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV OPS; RGV : RGV-PAO
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); PAIC; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); SUPV
Subject: ESR on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Shooting Incident
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 7:37:13 PM
Importance: High

See ESR below on the shooting incident. Subject (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) did not provide ID but the spelling of his last name has been corrected as shown. He is known on Facebook as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Watch Commander

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 5:41 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: (b) (7)(C) shooting incident
Importance: High

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT REPORT

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

Location: (b) (7)(E)

On August 29, 2014, at approximately 3:38 p.m., (b) (7)(E) Agents working in the (b) (7)(E) area off of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E) Texas, began chasing a group of subjects near the Rio Grande River. A subject stepped out of the heavily vegetated area brandishing an assault rifle aimed in the direction of the subjects. He then turned his assault weapon on the agents. A BPA drew his Department issued firearm and fired at the armed subject. The subject was not injured, but was detained and his weapon was secured. It was later discovered that he is a Militia member, and two other armed Militia members had been laying in near the area where this encounter took place. The Militia members only have permission to be on land owner (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property, that is several miles west of the (b) (7)(E).

NOTE: The subjects do not associate themselves with any specific "militia" group.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS:

1538 hrs Agents working traffic
1540 hrs Agent fired rounds
1541 hrs Superv (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) requested through (b) (7)(E)
1541 hrs SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is making his way to the scene
1543 hrs A Request goes out to (b) (7)(E)
1600 hrs DPAIC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrive on the scene
1600 hrs SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) contacted Lt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office
1605 hrs ACPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was advised of the situation
1606 hrs Agent was advised to go to (b) (7)(E) to meet (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Deputy
1608 hrs CIRT Team (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called (b) (7)(E) and advised they were headed to the scene (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
1611 hrs BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called and advised BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a witness to the incident
1615 hrs Pictures of all 3 Militia members are taken
1619 hrs Patrol Sgt (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office arrives on scene. Case number is (b) (7)(E)
1640 hrs (b) (7)(E)
1700 hrs RGV PAO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrives on scene
1705 hrs CIRT (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrives on scene
1715 hrs FBI Agents arrive on scene and (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office Investigator arrive on scene
1800 hrs U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Officers arrived and confirmed the scene is not on

protected lands.

There are no reported injuries

SUBJECTS:

Militia member who pointed weapon at agent was identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject Produced NO IDENTIFICATION

Two other Militia members laying in near the area were identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

WEAPONS:

Militia Member (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) brandished at agent is:

Assault Rifle:

7.62 Serbian Zastava (b) (7)(E)

Serial#: (b) (7)(E)

Two other handguns and 3 assault rifles were secured from the militia members.

ILLEGAL ALIEN SUBJECTS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY DURING THIS EVENT:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Updates to follow...

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); [RGV OPS](#); [RGV \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) PAIC](#)
Subject: Fw: Non-Law Enforcement Personnel Encounters
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:20:28 PM
Attachments: [FYTD Encounter Briefing.docx](#)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
SOS-RGV (b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 07:16 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Non-Law Enforcement Personnel Encounters

Sir,

Attached is the briefing paper for 2014 FYTD Non-Law Enforcement Personnel (militia) Encounters. The attachment is not password protected.

Regards.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C). / RGV (b) (7)(E)



**South Texas Campaign
United States Border Patrol
Rio Grande Valley Sector**



**Briefing Paper
2014 Fiscal Year-to-date
Non-Law Enforcement Personnel Encounters**

Updated August 28, 2014

Issue / Briefing Topic:

The Rio Grande Valley Sector (RGV) has experienced several encounters of non-law enforcement groups. This briefing paper is intended to provide a general overview of such events for fiscal year to date 2014.

Total encounters: 13

(b) (7)(E)

Groups Identified:

Texas Militia – www.texasmilitia.info

Texas Republic Militia – www.texasrepublicmilitia.com

Texas Minutemen – www.txminuteman.org

Special Tactics and Response (private security group) – Web site was not found

Background:

April 30, 2014, (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) Riverine Units working the river area south of (b) (7)(E) heard voices and brush breaking near the river. Agents searched the area and encountered eight subjects dressed in camouflage walking with dogs. During questioning, subjects claimed to be “Minutemen” just walking the area. No weapons were observed and the encounter ended without incident. (b) (7)(E) agents observed no violations being committed by the subjects, so they returned to their vessels without further incident. The subjects continued walking through the park. It was undetermined if this group was in fact associated with the Texas Minutemen organization or any other similar group.

May 16, 2014, (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) Boat Patrol Unit responded to (b) (7)(E) near the river drag. Agents advised that the (b) (7)(E) by “Minutemen” in the area. Agents advised that a total of 10 “minutemen” (three males and seven females), all wearing camouflage, were walking along the river drag in (b) (7)(E). The “minutemen” advised that they would be in the area and would

Prepared by: BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) / RGV (b) (7)(E)
08/18/2014

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report any illicit activity to the Border Patrol station. It was undetermined if this group was in fact associated with the Texas Minutemen Organization or any other similar group.

July 15, 2014, (b) (7)(E)

Officers from the (b) (7)(E) Texas Police Department (b) (7) PD) encountered six armed "Minutemen" who were observed setting up a camp underneath the (b) (7)(E) Texas Port-of-Entry. The subjects were reported to be carrying long arms. The subjects claimed to have the permission from the land owner to operate in the area. The subjects were observed driving a red pickup truck with a utility trailer. The subjects were advised by (b) PD to report all illegal activity to the U.S. Border Patrol or the (b) (7)(E) Police Department. It was undetermined if this group was in fact associated with the Texas Minutemen Organization or any other similar group.

July 29, 2014, (b) (7)(E)

Agents working in the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) area near (b) (7)(E) TX, encountered three armed suspected "Minutemen" patrolling the river road area on foot. The subjects stated they were given permission to be on the property by Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and planned to patrol Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farmland area for an undetermined amount of time. (b) (7)(E) Border Community Liaison arranged a meeting with the subjects who advised they were contracted by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to provide security on his property due to the escalating border violence. Information indicated that the individuals are in possession of several weapons including a .50 caliber sniper rifle with armor piercing rounds, AR-15 style rifles, a .308 caliber rifle, pistols, and bullet proof vests with Small Arms Protective Insert (SAPI) plates. The subjects did not claim to be affiliated or associated to the "Minutemen" organization. The group was identified as Special Tactics and Response private security group.

August 2, 2014, (b) (7)(E) - (b) (7)(E)

Agents working at the (b) (7)(E), were approached by four males. They told the agents that they would be working in the area and identified themselves as members of the Texas Republic Militia. They also stated they were meeting up with other members of their group in (b) (7)(E) Texas. The subjects were in a silver Chevrolet Silverado (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)). The subjects had 4 long arms and 4 handguns with them. The subjects were observed driving towards the (b) (7)(E) POE.

August 3, 2014, (b) (7)(E)

An agent assigned to (b) (7)(E) near (b) (7)(E) Texas was approached by several armed non-law enforcement personnel who identified themselves as members of the Texas Militia. Members of the Texas Militia advised the agent that they were about to begin their tour for the night. The subjects were seen travelling in two separate vehicles. The agent reported approximately 12 subjects in each vehicle.

August 3, 2014, (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near (b) (7)(E) Texas advised that they had been approached by a group of non-law enforcement personnel who asked if they could provide assistance to the agents. The subjects identified themselves as members of the Texas Militia who had recently arrived to the area from Houston, Texas. Agents advised that there were approximately 10 subjects in a vehicle and the occupants were armed with long arms and dressed in camouflaged garments.

August 6, 2014, (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near (b) (7)(E) Texas responded to assist a DPS Trooper near the (b) (7)(E) area. Several armed subjects dressed in fatigues that were thought to be part of a DPS tactical team arrived to assist. It was later discovered that the seven subjects dressed in fatigues were members of

the Texas Militia. All subjects were identified and advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency.

August 7, 2014, (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near the (b) (7)(E) POE encountered a group of four non-law enforcement personnel. The group was carrying long arms and handguns. The group claimed to be an independent group of concerned citizens and stated that they were not affiliated with the Texas Militia. The group was given permission to be in the area by the land owner, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). The group also advised that they were expecting approximately 30-40 more members to join them.

August 12, 2014 (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near the (b) (7)(E) encountered a group of two non-law enforcement personnel. Agents reported that the two subjects were carrying long arms and dressed in camouflage clothing. The two subjects did not claim to be affiliated with any group. However, (b) (7)(E) management believes that the group may be associated with the same group working with private land owner (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

August 14, 2014 (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near (b) (7)(E) Texas encountered a group of six non-law enforcement personnel. The group identified themselves as members of the Texas Militia. The subjects were armed and dressed in camouflaged fatigues. Members of this group have been previously encountered by (b) (7)(E) agents.

August 15, 2014 (b) (7)(E)

Agents working in an area known as the (b) (7)(E) encountered a group of four non-law enforcement personnel. The group identified themselves as members of the Texas Militia. Agents advised that the group were wearing camouflage uniforms and all were carrying long arms. The group advised the agents that they would be in the vicinity until 6:00 a.m.

August 28, 2014 (b) (7)(E)

On August 28, 2014, at approximately 8:30 PM., (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), a land owner in the (b) (7)(E) AOR, called the station to report that his guy had detained three subjects who were trespassing on his property. (b) (7)(E) supervisor then notified agents working near the area to respond to the call. Agents arrived near a washout, the south end of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property, and conducted an immigration inspection on all three subjects. Once it was determined that the three subjects had no legal right to be in the U.S., agents took custody of the subjects without incident. Agents then obtained information on the militia member who had detained the three subjects. The subjects did not make any allegations or complaints of mistreatment or abuse by any of the militia members. The subjects were transported to the (b) (7)(E) Station and are currently going through processing procedures.

Other Known Non-Law Enforcement Groups:

- Texas Border Volunteers www.texasbordervolunteers.org – Known to work in the (b) (7)(E) AOR and granted permission to operate on private land by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and other local land owners.

- Border Brotherhood of Texas www.facebook.com/chiefwalden – A volunteer organization comprised of law-enforcement officers who volunteer their own time to conduct enforcement actions within (b) (7)(E) County ((b) (7)(E) AOR).

Path Forward:

The RGV (b) (7)(E) will continue to monitor these encounters and provide updates when available. It is strongly recommended that (b) (7)(E) All encounters with non-law enforcement groups should be reported to the RGV (b) (7)(E) The following collection of information is suggested:

- Proper group identification
- Location of the encounter ((b) (7)(E)
- Whether or not the group was armed
- Vehicle descriptions
- Where the group is operating (private or public land)
- Timeframe of their operation (if known)

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: Re: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video
Date: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 1:54:37 PM

He wears a ballcap, camelback, and faded uniform. Anyone recognize the background?

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Patrol Agent in Charge
(b) (7)(E) BP Station
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Via Blackberry

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: RE: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

Sir,

We do not have any ID on the individual, he does have a V-Tac sling and a pool range mag on the M-4, that might help identify the station. No other identifiers could be distinguished.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 12:03 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: FW: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

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Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Executive Officer of Operations
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV OPS

Subject: Fw: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

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Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Date: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 6:17:42 PM

Did not occur in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) AOR and no clue whose voice it is.

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Lord, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference. Amen

"There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you." - Nelson Mandela

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Militia Groups
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:33:12 AM

Hey, brother.

Do you guys have any standard messaging that you have disseminated to the field educating agents on how to interact with these groups? We're starting to see them pop up over here, and just want to get ahead of it.

Thanks!

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Facebook Page says they are coming to Laredo
Date: Thursday, June 19, 2014 2:05:43 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thank you Sir

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting PAIC

RGV Sector

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 12:53 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Facebook Page says they are coming to Laredo

FYI from our (b) (7)(E) group.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Texas Rangers

Staff Lieutenant

Co. "D"

(b) (7)(E) -RGV

Edinburg, TX

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(E)

This is what we have seen. FBI was looking at it as well:

(b) (7)(E)

I'll keep you posted if we get any additional chatter.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 11:07 AM
To: (b) (7)(E)-NIW-SIWO; (b) (7)(E)-ILB GML
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Facebook Page says they are coming to Laredo

FYSA

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) Liaison - Texas Joint Crime Information Center
(b) (7)(E)
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
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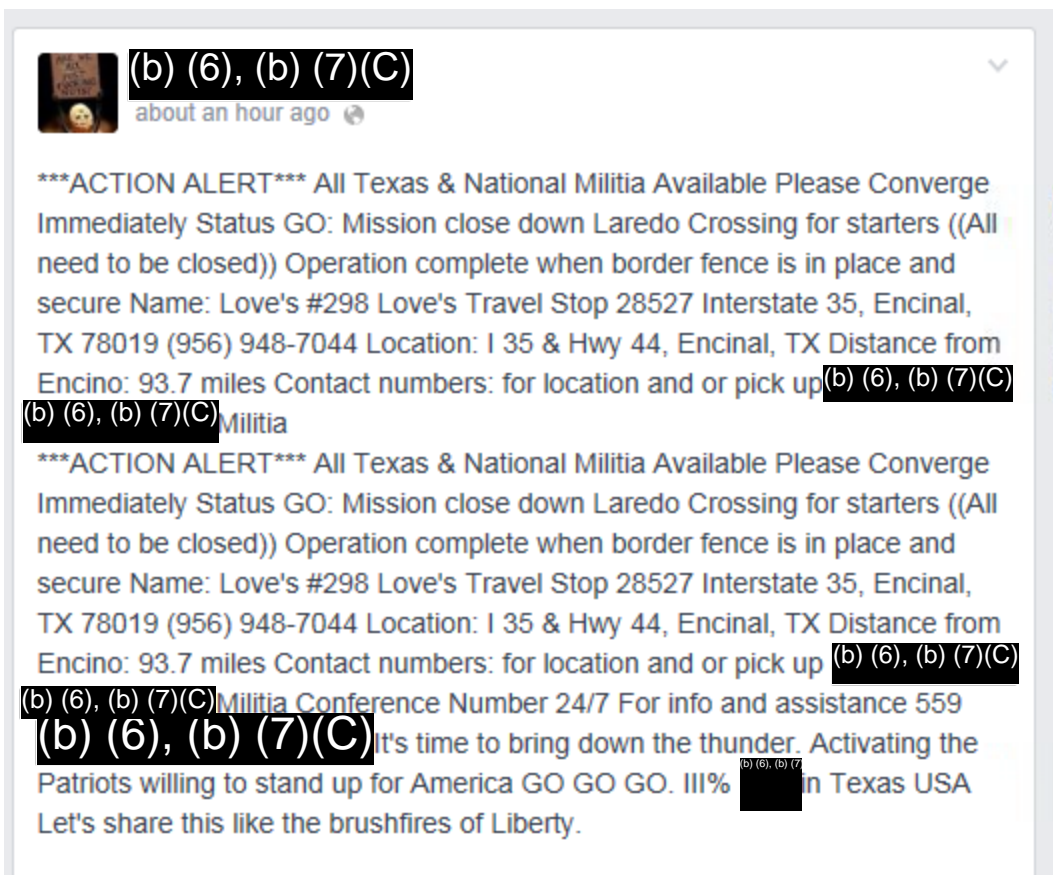
From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 11:55 AM Eastern Standard Time
To: Texas Joint Crime Information Center
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Facebook Page says they are coming to Laredo

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 7:51 AM
To: 'TXJCIC'
Subject: FW: Facebook Page says they are coming to Laredo

Please see the most recent post re: people believed to be the Minutemen traveling to True Love's

Truck Stop in Encinal (as reported to the [REDACTED] last night).



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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Minutemen in AOR
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:22:44 AM

T4, thanks.

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:21 AM Eastern Standard Time
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Minutemen in AOR

He mentioned this morning that he had received information from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Border rescue Team) that a "militia" style group is planning to deploy in (b) (7)(E) County. No other information on this issue was provided.

The minuteman incidents (2 incidents) he was referring to occurred in the (b) (7)(E) AOR ((b) (7)(E)) approximately 2 weeks ago. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has visibility on the instances. I don't believe an SIR was generated on either.

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 10:17 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Minutemen in AOR

Was there specific information the Deputy was referring to for this?

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Militia Groups in RGV AOR
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:39:38 AM

See below. Do we do this?

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SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Sector HQ
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 10:29 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV OPS
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Subject: Re: Militia Groups in RGV AOR
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:53:49 AM

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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See below. (b) (7)(E) will resume the practice.

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TF, we will get it going. Thanks.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Subject: Re: Militia Groups in RGV AOR

No Sir, I do not. That was back in 2007 and we were still utilizing the (b) (7)(E) Manager for documentation purposes.

But I do recall that stations were required to call in and report all encounters.

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 10:29 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV OPS

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia Groups in RGV AOR
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:48:39 AM

TF, Sir!

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Sector HQ
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Militia Groups in RGV AOR

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:43 AM Eastern Standard Time
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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Minutemen in AOR
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:21:49 AM

He mentioned this morning that he had received information from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Border rescue Team) that a "militia" style group is planning to deploy in (b) (7)(E) County. No other information on this issue was provided.

The minuteman incidents (2 incidents) he was referring to occurred in the (b) (7)(E) AOR ((b) (7)(E)) approximately 2 weeks ago (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has visibility on the instances. I don't believe an SIR was generated on either.

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 10:17 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Minutemen in AOR

Was there specific information the Deputy was referring to for this?

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia Groups in RGV AOR
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 12:13:18 PM

No Sir, I do not. That was back in 2007 and we were still utilizing the (b) (7)(E) Manager for documentation purposes.

But I do recall that stations were required to call in and report all encounters.

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Sector HQ
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia Groups in RGV AOR

Do you have all of the requirements so that we can be clear on determining when to report encounters?

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 10:51 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Militia Groups in RGV AOR

Sir,

I believe we were capturing number of folks in the group and if they were armed.

FYI

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia Groups
Date: Monday, June 09, 2014 4:09:40 PM

10-4

Thank you,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Operations

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, June 09, 2014 03:06 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Groups

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Please find out if we (RGV) have any similar memos that have previously been disseminated. If not, please prepare on from the Chief to the field using the attached memos as a guide. Also, please see if (b) (6) can put together some messaging to the field that helps to familiarize the workforce with these groups.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, June 09, 2014 11:57 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Militia Groups
Importance: High

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

I'm out of the office but this is what I got from our Policy Division. There's a couple attachments I'm not sure why they were included but hopefully the others will be helpful to you.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 04:50 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Groups

More information

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting Branch Chief
Tucson Sector
Policy and Compliance Division
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 4:19 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Groups
Importance: High

The attached is the only memorandums I could locate at this time.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Groups
Date: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 12:21:11 PM
Importance: High

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Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Groups
Importance: High

IDS slide.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Operations Officer | RGV Field Communications Branch (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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[REDACTED]

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Militia Groups
Date: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 12:23:39 PM

10-4... I will send you a draft for your review in a couple of minutes.

Thank you,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Sector / Operations Division
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

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From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

GML; LARCOM; LRT

STC DIVISION J2 (b) (7)(E) GML; STC AREA MCALLEN
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc:

RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS

Subject:

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

Date:

Wednesday, October 29, 2014 6:47:47 PM

Attachments:

[Situational Awareness Minuteman 10-29-2014.pdf](#)

Importance:

High

ALCON,

Attached and below is a Situational Awareness regarding Port of Entry (POE) blockades along the US/Mexico border on November 1, 2014.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

Recently, research on social media postings have revealed that leaders of the minutemen project have been planning to simultaneously block several Port of Entries (POE) along the US/Mexico border. The planned protest is scheduled to commence on November 1, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. CDT.

The (b) (7)(E) POE (Commercial) within the RGV Sector has been listed as a target. However, previous reports have listed several POEs within the RGV Sector's area of responsibility. Minutemen members have been encouraged to utilize their vehicles to impede inbound and outbound traffic during this planned protest.

(b) (7)(E)

The RGV (b) (7)(E) will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as warranted.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: 1st draft
Date: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 12:30:47 PM
Attachments: [FIELD ENCOUNTERS WITH NON-LAW ENFORCEMENT DETENTION OF ALIENS \(2\).docx](#)

It looks weird on the body of the email, but the attachment is OK. Let me know what changes are needed.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

MCA

MEMORANDUM FOR: Patrol Agents in Charge
Rio Grande Valley Sector

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Chief Patrol Agent

SUBJECT: Field Encounters with Undocumented Aliens by Non-Law
Enforcement Personnel and Organizations

The Rio Grande Valley Sector (RGV) has experienced several encounters with non-law enforcement personnel and organizations that claim to be monitoring illegal activity along the southern border. As the media attention on border issues continues, their presence in RGV is expected to increase.

When dealing with persons from these groups, agents should remain professional at all times. Be cognizant that these groups may attempt to utilize any photos with agents or any statements of personal opinion to legitimize their actions or to further their cause. While there is a legitimate need to interact with these groups during normal field operations, any matter not dealing with the law enforcement encounter should be referred to the RGV Public Affairs Office at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). Appropriate notifications should be made according to established policies regarding any encounters with these civilian defense groups (i.e., Minutemen, Tason Vance Militia Group, etc).

Agents responding to the detention of illegal aliens by any non-law enforcement personnel and organization will immediately notify their supervisory chain of command with the exact location of the detention, the name of the group, the circumstances of the detention, and the nationality of the detainees. The supervisor will then ensure tha (b) (7)(E)

[REDACTED]

To clarify, detentions by non-law enforcement personnel are affected when the illegal alien feels that they are not free to leave unhindered, whether that is communicated verbally or through the

actions of these personnel. (b) (7)(E)



All Patrol Agents will ensure that all uniformed personnel within their command are familiar with the above guidance referencing the encounters with these civilian groups. Please submit a memorandum through official channels via Laserfiche by linking a compliance response to this request no later than July 4, 2014. Staff may direct questions related to this matter to Acting Executive Officer (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Attachment


Thank you,

SBPA

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV Sector / Operations Division

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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Subject: Re: Militia Groups
Date: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 12:22:46 PM

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Executive Officer
Operations Division
Rio Grande Valley Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia Groups
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 12:26:58 PM

Hi (b) (6), (b) (7)

Its been a long time. Hope you are doing well.

I forwarded your request to PAO. I know they had put out some guidance when we started seeing these folks but its been a while. They should respond to your request very soon.

(b) (6), (b) (7)

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To: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7)(E)-PAIC-DPAIC-WC; RGV OPS
Subject: FW: DCPA RFI
Date: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 1:45:24 PM
Attachments: [Anti-Illegal Immigration Activists .msg](#)
(b) (7)(E) [Anti-illegal immigration group.htm](#)
[TX MinuteMen to arrive at \(b\) \(6\), \(b\) \(7\)\(C\)'s Farm .msg](#)

(b) (7)(E) response

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 11:53 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7)(E)-PAIC-DPAIC-WC; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: DCPA RFI

Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Please see attachments referencing Encounters with Non-Law Enforcement Personnel on 07-15-14 and 07-29-14.

With your approval, I'll forward to (b) (7)(E)

Thank you

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 9:15 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7)(E)-PAIC-DPAIC-WC
Subject: Fw: DCPA RFI

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Please address this today

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 09:49 AM Eastern Standard Time
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: Re: DCPA RFI

Field Command , I need you to feed any (b) (7)(E) about these groups into the (b) (7)(E) so that we can put together a brief for DCPA...

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief-Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector
"Leading the Charge"

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 08:45 AM

To: RGV (b) (7)(E)

Cc: RGV OPS

Subject: DCPA RFI

Team,

DCPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has requested a list of all the militia groups (ie. Borderland Brotherhood, etc...) encountered in the AOR and the number of encounters this FY.

Additionally, can you please provide a quick bullet on each encounter?

He plans on discussing the encounters with station commanders.

Thank you.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Groups
Date: Monday, June 09, 2014 4:06:52 PM
Attachments: [Field Encounters with Illegal Alien Detentions.pdf](#)
[Field Encounters with Non-LE Detention of Aliens.pdf](#)
[Minutemen PAG 3.DOC](#)
[Minuteman Talking Points 2.doc](#)
[Minutemen and Hunter Talkers.docx](#)
Importance: High

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Please find out if we (RGV) have any similar memos that have previously been disseminated. If not, please prepare one from the Chief to the field using the attached memos as a guide. Also, please see if (b) (6) can put together some messaging to the field that helps to familiarize the workforce with these groups.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, June 09, 2014 11:57 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Militia Groups
Importance: High

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

I'm out of the office but this is what I got from our Policy Division. There's a couple attachments I'm not sure why they were included but hopefully the others will be helpful to you.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 04:50 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Groups

More information

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Acting Branch Chief
Tucson Sector
Policy and Compliance Division
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 4:19 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Groups
Importance: High

The attached is the only memorandums I could locate at this time.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting Branch Chief

Tucson Sector

Policy and Compliance Division

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



Hunters / Concerned Citizen

TALKING POINTS

- For the first time in history, one government agency is responsible for securing our borders. The Department of Homeland Security's U. S. Customs and Border Protection agency (CBP) is that one, unified agency charged with preventing terrorists and terrorist weapons from entering our country, and controlling our nation's borders while enforcing hundreds of U.S. laws.
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection is the unified border agency within the Department of Homeland Security charged with the management, control, and protection of our Nation's borders at and between the official ports of entry.
- CBP does **not** endorse or support any private group or organization from taking matters into their own hands as it could have disastrous personal and public safety consequences. **Only if topic come up. We are the organized/trained agency assigned with protecting our borders.**
- U.S. Border Patrol and / or law enforcement authorities should be immediately notified if the general public suspects or witnesses suspicious activity. **Call 1-877-872-7435**
- In all cases, individuals should refrain from providing transportation or other assistance to illegal aliens as that may be viewed as furtherance of illegal entry. This type of assistance to an illegal alien could result in prosecution.
- Furthermore, forced detention can also be viewed as a criminal offense and violators will be referred to local, state or federal prosecutors for possible legal action.
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) appreciate the efforts of concerned citizens and non-governmental organizations as they act as our eyes and ears.
- If you encounter an individual in need of immediate medical, immediately dial 911.

Rescue Tower

TALKING POINTS

- Arizona is in its **9th year** of drought and water in the desert is almost non-existent.



- The desert in temperatures that can reach 120 degrees. Many times migrants are already dehydrated before illegally crossing the border and they can walk anywhere from 45 to 60 miles after crossing into the United States. (b) (7)(E)
The migrant does not have to risk his life by walking any further.
- The Border Patrol currently has 22 rescue towers in Tucson Sector. (b) (7)(E)
- Unlike water stations, (b) (7)(E)
- The Rescue Beacon is a relatively inexpensive, yet effective piece of equipment, designed specifically to save lives. Rescue towers are also environmentally friendly and mobile.
- Rescue towers reduce the need for rescue operations. These operations quickly become manpower intensive and utilize assets that could be otherwise used in law enforcement capacities.
- The Rescue Beacon tower is constructed of (b) (7)(E)
- (b) (7)(E)
- The Rescue Beacon tower is equipped with a signal box with an easy to use large red button and easy to understand instructions written in English, Spanish and the O'odham language. This device is intended for ANYONE to use that is in distress or in immediate need of assistance.



U.S. Customs and
Border Protection

Talking Points

March 2005

-Internal Use Only- Civilian Group in Arizona ("Minutemen")

- For the first time in history, one government agency is responsible for securing our borders. The Department of Homeland Security's U. S. Customs and Border Protection agency (CBP) is that one, unified agency charged with preventing terrorists and terrorist weapons from entering our country, and controlling our nation's borders.
- CBP is committed to gaining greater operational control of our borders. Over the past two years, the number of agents on the ground in Arizona has increased 20-percent (1700 to 2100).
- CBP does not endorse or support any private group or organization from taking matters into their own hands as it could have disastrous personal and public safety consequences.
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) appreciate the efforts of concerned citizens and non-governmental organizations as they act as our eyes and ears.
- CBP strongly encourages concerned citizens to call the U.S. Border Patrol and/or local law enforcement authorities if they witness or suspect illegal activity.
- In all cases, individuals should refrain from providing transportation or other assistance to migrants that may be viewed as furtherance of illegal entry. This type of assistance to an undocumented migrant could result in prosecution.
- Furthermore, forced detention can also be viewed as a criminal offense and violators will be referred to local, state or federal prosecutors for possible legal action.
- If the U.S. Border Patrol is going to be forced to monitor the actions of this loosely affiliated group of volunteers, it diverts critical time and personnel from our primary mission of securing our nation's border.
- American citizens have the right to assemble peacefully according to the U.S. Constitution and, to date, none of these civilians organizing in Arizona have broken any laws. If members

Temporary Worker Program

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of these civilian groups do break any laws, they will face criminal prosecution under U.S. law like any individuals that may commit crimes in the United States.

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Public Affairs Guidance

Minuteman Project

BACKGROUND

The Minuteman Project is a self-proclaimed "grassroots-organization that advocates bringing Americans to the defense of their homeland similar to the way the original Minutemen from Massachusetts (and other U.S. colonies) did in the late 1700's", according to the groups Web site. The Minuteman Project further claims to have 1,000 volunteers from 50 different states as of the end of March.

The Minuteman Project is recruiting volunteers to participate in an "assembly at the Arizona-Mexico border to bring national awareness to the decades-long deliberate neglect of effective U.S. immigration law enforcement." The organization plans to gather as many volunteers as possible to assemble in Arizona on April 1, 2005, for a 30-day period to bring national attention to the immigration problems on the Arizona border.

The volunteers state that they will provide "assistance" to the U.S. Border Patrol by acting as spotters of illegal cross-border activity. The organization also states that it "neither encourages nor discourages the 'open carry' laws of the state of Arizona." The town of Bisbee, Arizona, and the surrounding area will be the staging and lodging area for this project.

Other organizations with similar goals have engaged in this type of activity before in the same general locations with little to no impact on Border Patrol operations.

PREVIOUSLY ISSUED STATEMENT

"CBP and U.S. Border Patrol do not endorse the proposed actions of the outspoken group organizing in Arizona. We must leave the responsibility of protecting our nation's borders to trained law enforcement personnel, as it is a dangerous occupation and do not want well-intentioned individuals to get hurt. Properly trained law enforcement officers ought to handle law enforcement issues, not a loose affiliation of civilian groups. American citizens have the right to assemble peacefully according to the U.S. Constitution and, to date; none of these civilians organizing in Arizona have broken any laws. If members of these civilian groups do break any laws, they will face criminal prosecution under U.S. law like any individuals that may commit crimes in the United States."

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Chief Patrol Agent, Tucson Sector, U.S. Border Patrol



KEY MESSAGE POINTS

- For the first time in history, one government agency is responsible for securing our borders. The Department of Homeland Security's U. S. Customs and Border Protection agency (CBP) is that one, unified agency charged with preventing terrorists and terrorist weapons from entering our country, and controlling our nation's borders.
- CBP is committed to gaining operational control of our borders. Over the past two years, the number of agents on the ground in Arizona has increased 20-percent (1700 to 2100).
- The responsibility of keeping terrorists and terrorist weapons from entering the United States; as well as enforcing the laws of this country rests solely on officers and agents of Customs and Border Protection.
- Customs and Border Protection has been bestowed a great deal of responsibility and is entrusted to guard the citizens of this country from threatening outside forces and these threats must be met with diligence and discipline as demonstrated by the men and women of the Border Patrol.
- Border Security is in fact a shared national concern and we must ensure that all rights are protected in our pursuit towards defending America.

TALKING POINTS

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- U.S. Customs and Border Protection is the unified border agency within the Department of Homeland Security charged with the management, control, and protection of our Nation's

borders at and between the official ports of entry. CBP is charged with keeping terrorists and terrorist weapons out of the country while enforcing hundreds of U.S. laws.



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Office of the Chief Patrol Agent
U.S. Border Patrol – Tucson Sector
2430 S. Swan Road
Tucson, Arizona 85711

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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April 3, 2007

MEMORANDUM FOR: PATROL AGENTS IN CHARGE
UNIT SUPERVISORS

FROM:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Chief Patrol Agent

SUBJECT:

Field Encounters with Non-Law Enforcement
Detention of Aliens

Please take time to review with your personnel the attached directive, issued on January 14, 2003, relating to detentions of aliens by non-law enforcement personnel. Illegal alien encounters with groups such as Samaritan Patrol, American Border Patrol, Humane Borders, Ranch Rescue, etc., should be reported by memorandum (IIR) at a minimum and may be a Significant Incident Report (SIR). Appropriate notifications should be made in a timely manner.

When members of these groups detain an illegal alien, the agents responding to the event will notify the supervisory chain of command, who will telephonically notify the Staff Duty Assistant Chief Patrol Agent, as well as ensure (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

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Detentions by non-law enforcement personnel are made when the alien feels he/she is not free to leave unhindered, whether that is communicated verbally or through actions by these personnel.

(b) (7)(E)

Attachment

cc: ACPAs

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Office of the Chief Patrol Agent

1970 West Ajo Way
Tucson, Arizona 85713

January 14, 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY CHIEF PATROL AGENT
ASSISTANT CHIEF PATROL AGENTS
PATROL AGENTS IN CHARGE
ANTI-SMUGGLING UNIT
TUCSON SECTOR

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

FROM:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Chief Patrol Agent
Tucson Sector

SUBJECT: Field Encounters With Non-Law Enforcement Detention of Aliens

The purpose of this memorandum is regarding the attached directive originally issued on December 10, 1999 and updated on October 2, 2001 (copies attached), relating to detentions of aliens by non-law enforcement personnel. On August 29, 2002, I sent a memorandum with a directive to all stations on handling any field encounters involving illegal aliens and groups such as Samaritan Patrol, American Border Patrol, Humane Borders, Ranch Rescue, etc., as reportable incidents. This memorandum supersedes the August 29, 2002 memorandum to change the procedure from SIR to memorandum (IIR).

Field encounters involving members of any such group and illegal aliens, when the detention of an alien by non-law enforcement personnel has not occurred, must be treated at minimum as an IIR and reported electronically through official channels. (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

When the detention of an alien by non-law enforcement personnel has occurred, field personnel will now adhere to these superseding guidelines. It is incumbent upon agents responding to an event to immediately notify the supervisory chain of command if it is determined that a detention of aliens by non-law enforcement personnel has occurred.

Memorandum for Distribution
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(b) (7)(E)

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Additionally, when anyone that is encountered among these groups is perceived to have committed a violation of immigration or narcotics laws, immediate and appropriate action will be required. (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

Any questions regarding this memorandum may be directed to Acting Deputy Chief
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Attachments

CONSULATE OF MEXICO
TUCSON, ARIZONA.

Number (b) (7)(E)

RE: "Minute Man" organization

Date: March 28, 2007

Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Chief Patrol Agent
US Border Patrol Tucson Sector
2430 S Swan Road
Tucson, AZ. 85711

SECRETARÍA DE
RELACIONES EXTERIORES



SRE

Dear Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

As you may know, the organization **Minuteman Civil Defense Corps** is recruiting volunteers to conduct a month long "vigilant patrol" along the Arizona-Sonora border from March 30th to April 29, 2007.

Due to this people's lack of official authority, and the fact that they usually carry guns and firearms and are willing to stay in isolated desert areas identified as illegal crossers corridors, it is of great concern for the Mexican Government and this Consulate the occurrence of incidents relating these groups of "militants" and Mexican undocumented immigrants.

In view of that, I would be very appreciative if you Agency could reinforce the instruction of notifying this Consulate of Mexico of any incident involving Mexican immigrants, who might be arrested by the 'Minute Man' or any other civilian group.

Furthermore, I would like to respectfully request your kind assistance in granting this

(b) (7)(E)

Thank your much in advance for your assistance in this serious matter.

Sincerely,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Consul of Mexico

MJCS

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RIO007A (b) (7)(E) SUPERVISORS
Subject: FW: ESR Militia Encounter Initial/Final
Date: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 3:13:09 AM
Importance: High

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of RGV (b) (7)(E)
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 2:09 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: ESR Militia Encounter Initial/Final
Importance: High

ALCON;

Forwarded for your situational awareness!

Please read below (b) (7)(E) information referencing an encounter with several militia members who stated they will patrol the areas of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E) Texas.

Forward accordingly.

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
E-mail: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E)-TOC
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 1:55 AM
To: (b) (7)(E) DIT; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E)-TOC; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

Evolving Situational Report
Civilian Militia Encounter in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
October 1, 2014
(b) (7)(E), Texas
Initial/Final

On today's date at approximately 0130, (b) (7)(D) agents called and advised that they were approached by two individuals in a blue Toyota tundra van displaying TX LPs (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) near the intersection of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas. The two individuals identified themselves as militia members under the names (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Cell

Phone# (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Cell Phone# (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Both subjects advised they would be patrolling our AOR and only acting in a deterrence and observation status during their rounds. They stated they would be patrolling across our AOR as far as (b) (7)(E). (b) (7)(E) They stated they if we needed to reach them we could do so at their numbers stated above. Subjects advised they would armed. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would be armed with an AR-15, and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would be carrying a .45 Glock pistol and an AR-15 as well.

No other information was available.

Vehicle Info:

Toyota Tundra (Blue)

TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

No updates are expected. FIR will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions please contact the (b) (7)(E) Station TOC at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) -TOC

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia Groups in RGV AOR
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:36:54 AM

My bad. Most people don't want to hear from the XO. I forgot that the AX was beloved and revered by all.

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:31 AM Eastern Standard Time
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia Groups in RGV AOR

Dude I know you had a man-crush on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and hate me but update your list.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(A) PAIC

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 10:29 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV OPS

Subject: Militia Groups in RGV AOR

All,

FYSA - RGV has received information from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Border Rescue Team - a volunteer group working with (b) (7)(E) County) that a militia-type group (similar to the Minutemen in TCA) is possibly planning to deploy in (b) (7)(E) County. No other information is currently available, but updates will follow as received.

Recall that two incidents involving minuteman have already occurred in the (b) (7)(E) AOR ((b) (7)(E)) approximately 2 weeks ago. Please ensure that your personnel are aware and understand how to properly address an encounter with these groups.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: (b) (7)(E) - Militia Group Heading to RGV AOR
Date: Wednesday, June 18, 2014 11:52:28 PM
Importance: High

Good evening,

THIS (b) (7)(E) IS UNCORROBORATED AND IS FOR SITUATIONAL AWARENESS ONLY

I just became aware of (b) (7)(E) indicating that a militia group is planning to come to the RGV AOR tonight and is said to be meeting at the Love's Truck Stop in Encinal at 2300. Their intentions are not known at this time.

(b) (7)(E)

AGAIN, THIS IS UNCORROBORATED.

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Assistant Chief / Border Patrol Liaison
Texas Border Security Operations Center – Austin, TX

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RIO007A, SUPERVISORS
Subject: Fw: Militia Encounter
Date: Sunday, October 05, 2014 9:09:28 AM

(b) (6),

Yesterdays info but not sure if you received this from (b) (7)(E) or not.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Saturday, October 04, 2014 09:10 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Militia Encounter

FYSA

Militia in (b) (6).

Regards,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
RGV Sector (b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Station
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(E) TOC
Sent: Saturday, October 04, 2014 08:57 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) TOC; (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: Militia Encounter

On today's date at approximately 2045 hours, (b) (7)(E) -TOC received a call from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), a member of the Texas Defense Network Militia who advised that they would be in the area around (b) (7)(E), TX to (b) (7)(E), TX on (b) (7)(E). He stated that his party would be travelling in a white Suburban TXLP (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). He did not provide the names of the other subjects and did not state if they were armed. (b) (7)(E) units were notified of the group's location and presence.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RIO007A](#) (b) (7)(E) -SUPERVISORS
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final
Date: Thursday, October 02, 2014 8:07:51 PM

FYSA

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Deputy Patrol Agent in Charge

(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, October 02, 2014 06:25 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

FYI

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(E) -TOC
Sent: Thursday, October 02, 2014 06:22 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) -TOC; (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: RE: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

On today's date, at approximately 1815 hours, the same subject listed below "(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)" called the (b) (7)(E) -TOC stating that he and one other concerned veteran will be patrolling in the (b) (7)(E) area tonight. He stated that they will be in the same vehicle listed below and will be performing the same type of function.

Regards,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E) -TOC

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 8:54 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: RE: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

On today's date at approximately 2030 hours, (b) (7)(E) -TOC received a call from a subject with the "concerned veterans group" who advised that he and 2 other concerned veterans would be

in the area around (b) (7)(E), TX and that they would possibly be setting up an LPOP. He stated that his party would be travelling in a Blue Toyota Tundra TXLP (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). He stated that 2 of them would possibly set up an LPOP and be dropped off by the third veteran and the mobile subject would relocate to the area where the DPS troopers stage up in (b) (7)(E). He did not provide the names of the other subjects and did not state if they were armed. He also stated that he would call (b) (7)(E) station and advise them of their presence. (b) (7)(E) units were notified of the group's location and presence.

This appears to be the same group that was reported on in the early morning hours today on (b) (7)(E) (See previous ESR below).

Regards,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) **Border Patrol Station**
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E)-TOC
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 1:55 AM
To: (b) (7)(E) DIT; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E)-TOC; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

Evolving Situational Report
Civilian Militia Encounter in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
October 1, 2014
(b) (7)(E) Texas
Initial/Final

On today's date at approximately 0130, (b) (7)(E) agents called and advised that they were approached by two individuals in a blue Toyota tundra van displaying TX LPs (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) near the intersection of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E) Texas. The two individuals identified themselves as militia members under the names (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Cell Phone# (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Cell Phone# (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Both subjects advised they would be patrolling our AOR and only acting in a deterrence and observation status during their rounds. They stated they would be patrolling across our AOR as far as (b) (7)(E) near (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E). They stated they if we needed to reach them we could do so at their numbers stated above. Subjects advised they would armed. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would be armed with an AR-15, and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would be carrying a .45 Glock pistol and an AR-15 as well.

No other information was available.

Vehicle Info:

Toyota Tundra (Blue)

TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

No updates are expected. FIR will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions please contact the (b) (7)(E) Station TOC at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) TOC

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RIO007A (b) (7)(E) SUPERVISORS
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: FW: ESR Militia Encounter Initial/Final
Date: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 5:43:02 AM
Importance: High

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called and advised they would be in the (b) (7)(E), Texas area. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) said they would be in a (blue) Toyota Tundra.
TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). DPS Command Post was notified, all agents working the area were notified as well.

Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of RGV (b) (7)(E)
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 2:09 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: ESR Militia Encounter Initial/Final
Importance: High

ALCON;

Forwarded for your situational awareness!

Please read below (b) (7)(E) information referencing an encounter with several militia members who stated they will patrol the areas of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas.

Forward accordingly.

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV (b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E)-TOC
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 1:55 AM

To: (b) (7)(E) DIT; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) -TOC; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: ESR Militia Encounter Intial/Final

Evolving Situational Report
Civilian Militia Encounter in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
October 1, 2014
(b) (7)(E), Texas
Initial/Final

On today's date at approximately 0130, (b) (7)(E) agents called and advised that they were approached by two individuals in a blue Toyota tundra van displaying TX LPs (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) near the intersection of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E) Texas. The two individuals identified themselves as militia members under the names (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Cell Phone# (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Cell Phone# (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Both subjects advised they would be patrolling our AOR and only acting in a deterrence and observation status during their rounds. They stated they would be patrolling across our AOR as far as (b) (7)(E) near (b) (7)(E). (b) (7)(E) They stated they if we needed to reach them we could do so at their numbers stated above. Subjects advised they would armed. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would be armed with an AR-15, and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would be carrying a .45 Glock pistol and an AR-15 as well.

No other information was available.

Vehicle Info:

Toyota Tundra (Blue)
TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

No updates are expected. FIR will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions please contact the (b) (7)(E) Station TOC at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) -TOC

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); [RGV \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) PAIC](#); [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: RE: Patriot information Hotline
Date: Thursday, June 19, 2014 12:41:06 PM

Sir,

No contact has been made with (b) (7)(E) or (b) (7)(E) regarding such group. We'll monitor and keep you posted.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Special Operations Supervisor
RGV Sector (b) (7)(E)
Edinburg, TX 78542

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 11:34 AM
To: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Patriot information Hotline

FYI, I responded that negative contact for RGV...

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Division Chief-Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector
"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 11:30 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Patriot information Hotline

Guys,

Has this female, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), or this group made contact with your people? They contacted LRT and one of our stations yesterday. They claim they will be coming to the border and will not leave until they see a fence go up.

(b) (7)(E). No sightings or direct contact with the group or people as of now.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 07:38 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Patriot information Hotline

(b) (7)(E), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Thank you,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Deputy Patrol Agent In Charge
Laredo Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, June 18, 2014 10:40 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

This may be a group similar to the "Minutemen" group that was in town back in 2005.
<http://patriotsinformationhotline.com/discussions/p5>

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RIO007A (b) (7)(E); SUPERVISORS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: Militia Group in Los (b) (7)(E)
Date: Tuesday, October 07, 2014 6:55:05 PM

On today's date, at approximately 1745 hrs., (b) (7)(E) Station received a call from a subject named (b) (6), (b) (7) phone number (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), with a group of concerned veterans. He stated that they were going to have two subjects on foot south of (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E). The subjects will be armed with long rifles. A third subject will be mobile in a blue Toyota Tundra, license plate (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). He informed (b) (7)(E) that they will be in the area until about 0400 hrs. Agents in the area have been advised.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SBPA

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV](#)(b) (7)(E); [RIO007A](#)(b) (7)(E)-SUPERVISORS
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Militia Group in (b) (7)(E)
Date: Wednesday, October 08, 2014 7:16:06 PM

ALCON,

Two of the three subjects from yesterdays "concerned veterans" group will be out in the (b) (7)(E) area. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will be out until approximately 4am. They are traveling in the same Toyota Tundra (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)). (b) (7)(E) unit in the area spotted the Tundra south of the "(b) (7)(E)" area.

Agents have been advised.

Updates to Follow.

v/r

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SBPA

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2014 5:55 PM
To: [RIO007A](#)(b) (7)(E)-SUPERVISORS; [RGV](#)(b) (7)(E)
Subject: Militia Group in (b) (7)(E)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SBPA

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) RIO007A (b) (7)(E) -SUPERVISORS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Militia Group in (b) (7)(E)
Date: Wednesday, October 08, 2014 8:03:01 PM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

There were 7 apprehensions, 3 turn backs, and 5 got-a-ways . Two others may have been turn backs as well but that wasn't confirmed.

ALCON,

The Toyota is in the (b) (7)(E) . Fish and wildlife supervisor (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was advised and will be responding to the area personally to advise the concerned veterans they cannot be in the (b) (7)(E) area.

Updates to Follow.

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SBPA

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, October 08, 2014 6:45 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Militia Group in (b) (7)(E)

Sir,

Any updates on the following:

1. At 1657hrs, 17 UDAs attempting to cross river on raft near (b) (7)(E)
2. At 1805hrs, blue Toyota Tundra near (b) (7)(E) (did it clear?)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, October 08, 2014 6:16 PM
To: RGV (b) (7)(E) RIO007A (b) (7)(E) -SUPERVISORS
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Militia Group in (b) (7)(E)

ALCON,

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Agents have been advised.

Updates to Follow.

v/r

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SBPA

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2014 5:55 PM

To: RIO007A-(b) (7)(E)-SUPERVISORS; RGV(b) (7)(E)

Subject: Militia Group in (b) (7)(E)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SBPA

(b) (7)(E)

From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc:

RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS

Subject:

Situational Awareness (Militia Encounter)

Date:

Saturday, October 11, 2014 3:45:08 AM

Attachments:

[Situational Awareness Militia 10-11-2014.pdf](#)

Importance:

High

ALCON,

Attached and below is a Situational Awareness regarding a Militia Encounter near (b) (7)(E), Texas. Please disseminate accordingly.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

On October 10, 2014, the Rio Grande Valley Sector (b) (7)(E) received information regarding a militia group patrolling near (b) (7)(E), Texas and seen in the (b) (7)(E) AOR. On October 10th, agents encountered the militia group and upon initial contact, the subjects refused to speak to the agents and then became belligerent. Two subjects in the group were armed with assault rifles.

When the subjects were advised that they did not have permission to be at the premises, one of the subjects began to record the agents with his personal cellphone. The local authorities were notified and the subjects dispersed without further incident.

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RIO007A (b) (7)(E) SUPERVISORS
Subject: FW: Situational Awareness (Militia Encounter)
Date: Saturday, October 11, 2014 5:21:45 AM
Attachments: [Situational Awareness Militia 10-11-2014.pdf](#)
Importance: High

FYSA

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of RGV (b) (7)(E)

Sent: Saturday, October 11, 2014 2:45 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS

Subject: Situational Awareness (Militia Encounter)

Importance: High

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Regards,

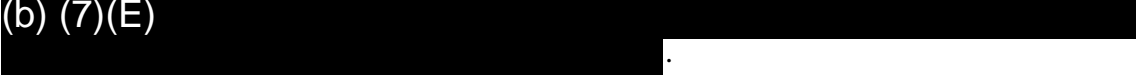
RGV (b) (7)(E)

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(b) (7)(E)



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(b) (7)(E)

U.S Border Patrol, Rio Grande Valley Sector – (b) (7)(E)

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

October 11, 2014

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(b) (7)(E)

For any questions, please contact the RGV (b) (7)(E) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) PAIC](#); [RGV \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) SBPA](#); [RGV \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) LBPA](#); [RGV OPS \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) PAIC-DPAIC-WC](#); [\(b\) \(7\)\(E\) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS](#)
Subject: FW: OFO Info Re: Minutemen Under (b) (7)(E) Bridge
Date: Tuesday, July 15, 2014 4:52:34 PM

FYSA.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Border Patrol Agent (b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station
(b) (7)(E) Texas
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2014 3:36 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: OFO Info Re: Minutemen Under (b) (7)(E) Bridge

Subject: Minutemen Under (b) (7)(E) Bridge

- 1440 hours Received a call from (b) (7)(E) Police Department advising that there are six(6) Minutemen camping under the (b) (7)(E) Bridge.
- (b) (7)(E) P.D. made contact with men. The men stated that they have permission from the land owner to be there. The men stated that they were armed with M4s and 308 caliber rifles.
- The men stated to PD that they would be in the area until things get better on the border. Men have a Red Chevy with a utility trailer.
- PD told the men that if they encounter any immigrants to call Border Patrol or (b) (7)(E) PD. The Men stated that they understood and would comply. Officers @ (b) (7)(E) PD stated that (b) (7)(E)
- (b) (7)(E) PD advised the men that they could not be under the bridge as that property belongs to the City of (b) (7)(E). They are in the process of relocating but will be in the vicinity.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Chief CBP Officer
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Office of Field Operations
Port of (b) (7)(E) Texas
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) R on behalf of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: ESR: Group of Minutemen Across the Street From (b) (7)(E) (INITIAL)
Date: Friday, July 25, 2014 7:36:57 PM

ESR
Minutemen Across the Street From (b) (7)(E)
INITIAL

On today's date, at approximately 1810 hrs., (b) (7)(E) Agents advised that there were a group of Minutemen staged across the street from the west gate at (b) (7)(E). It was reported that they were shooting video of (b) (7)(E) from their location.

- 1610 HRS – (b) (7)(E) -TOC was notified of the groups presence.

Updates to follow.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of (b) (7)(E) [TOC](#)
To: (b) (7)(E) [-TOC](#); (b) (7)(E) [-ESR](#)
Subject: RE: ESR: Group of Minutemen Across the Street From (b) (7)(E) (UPDATE #1 and Final)
Date: Friday, July 25, 2014 8:15:07 PM

UPDATE 1 and FINAL:

- Group reportedly in an RV and wearing camouflaged clothing have left the vicinity. No Agent ever made contact with the group and it cannot be confirmed that they were actually affiliated with Minutemen.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
Sent: Friday, July 25, 2014 6:37 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: ESR: Group of Minutemen Across the Street From (b) (7)(E) (INITIAL)

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV OPS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-WC; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
Subject: RE: OFO Info Re: Minutemen Under (b) (7)(E) Bridge
Date: Tuesday, July 15, 2014 4:56:50 PM

Thx

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2014 3:53 PM
To: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV OPS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-WC; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
Subject: FW: OFO Info Re: Minutemen Under (b) (7)(E) Bridge

FYSA.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Border Patrol Agent (b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station
(b) (7)(E) Texas
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Chief CBP Officer
U.S. Customs and Border Protection


Office of Field Operations
Port of (b) (7)(E) [REDACTED], Texas
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Facebook Page says they are coming to Laredo
Date: Thursday, June 19, 2014 12:00:47 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

ALCON,

FYSA, this was the original message :

Please see the most recent post re: people believed to be the Minutemen traveling to True Love's Truck Stop in Encinal (as reported to the (b) (7)(E) last night).



(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
about an hour ago

ACTION ALERT All Texas & National Militia Available Please Converge Immediately Status GO: Mission close down Laredo Crossing for starters ((All need to be closed)) Operation complete when border fence is in place and secure Name: Love's #298 Love's Travel Stop 28527 Interstate 35, Encinal, TX 78019 (956) 948-7044 Location: I 35 & Hwy 44, Encinal, TX Distance from Encino: 93.7 miles Contact numbers: for location and or pick up (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) Militia

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(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)







(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV-OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) RGV-STC; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7)(F) PAIC; (b) (7)(F) SUPV; (b) (7)(F) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP
Subject: (b) (7)(F) DAR for 10/10/2014
Date: Saturday, October 11, 2014 2:53:45 AM
Attachments: (b) (7)(E) DAILY REPORT.pdf
Importance: High

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

MILITIA INCIDENTS: 1

- (b) (7)(E) Agents encountered several Militia subjects at the (b) (7)(E), in (b) (7)(E) Texas, heading south from the levee towards the river road. When asked what they were up to, the subjects at first refused to speak to the Agents and then became belligerent. (b) (7)(E) CSO was summoned and responded to the area. The Militia members departed the area before (b) (7)(E) CSO arrived. (b) (7)(E) CSO informed the Field SBPA that the landowner would have to file a formal complaint for trespassing. RGV (b) (7)(E) was notified.

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) -PAIC-DPAIC-WC; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Minutemen in (b) (7)(E)
Date: Tuesday, July 15, 2014 4:15:29 PM

ALCON,

I just spoke with DPS Major (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and the DPS Command Post will also advise the (b) (7)(E) Constable Pct#2 and the (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Department for their awareness..

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2014 3:07 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Minutemen in (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2014 3:04 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Minutemen in (b) (7)(E)

Majors,

I just spoke to Asst Chief (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(E) PD and he advised there are six (6) armed minutemen directly under the (b) (7)(E) POE. Chief (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised they are not supposed to be there, because that is city of (b) (7)(E) property. Chief did say they can be on the flanks because that is private property and the owners of that property did give them consent. Chief further advised these guys are going to camp out overnight in that area.

Sergeant (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) PD and (b) (7)(E) liaison is en-route to visit with these folks and gather more information. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will provide updates to the (b) (7)(E)

Regards,

(b) (6),

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Texas Rangers
Staff Lieutenant
RGV-(b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E)
Company "D"
Edinburg, TX

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2014 2:51 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Minutemen in (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

I believe you have been having some conversation with several of the Minutemen groups in the last several weeks. I received the below information from Captain (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) stationed in the Command Post and wanted to make you guys aware- He spoke directly with (b) (7)(E) PD and may have some additional information if you need to contact him

Thank you

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

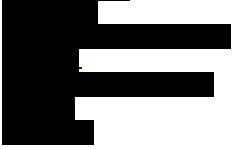
Major,

Just received a call from Officer (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with (b) (7)(E) PD. He advised 6 individual identifying themselves as "Minutemen" from Ohio came in the Police Department to let them know they were in the area. They are in a Red Chevy truck and will be setting up camp under the bridge at the (b) (7)(E) POE.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Highway Patrol

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [PAIC](#); [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: Fw: Patriot information Hotline
Date: Thursday, June 19, 2014 12:34:19 PM
Attachments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [.PNG](#)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



FYI, I responded that negative contact for RGV...

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief-Operations

Rio Grande Valley Sector

"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 11:30 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Patriot information Hotline

Guys,

Has this female, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), or this group made contact with your people? They contacted LRT and one of our stations yesterday. They claim they will be coming to the border and will not leave until they see a fence go up.

(b) (7)(E). No sightings or direct contact with the group or people as of now.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 07:38 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Patriot information Hotline

Last night, the (b) (7)(E) was informed by Ranger (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) that DPS received a call from a female stating that she was part of this militia and they were currently in Encinal, TX at the Love's Truck Stop. The (b) (7)(E) called (b) (7)(E) and they sent a unit to see if there was a group of people congregating at that location. (b) (7)(E) agents reported that there was negative contact. Below is what (b) (6); (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) discovered on face book about (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and the group. Pictures from the Facebook page are attached.

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Deputy Patrol Agent In Charge

Laredo Sector (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, June 18, 2014 10:40 PM


To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

This may be a group similar to the "Minutemen" group that was in town back in 2005.

<http://patriotsinformationhotline.com/discussions/p5>

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: SITROOM; BBT; BP; DRT; Del Rio; El Paso; Laredo; MAREA; McAllen;
Victoria; LRI; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV; STC; STX
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Subject who posted threatening remarks on FB about BLM/Federal agents may have joined militia groups at TX border
Date: Monday, July 28, 2014 5:05:12 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

FYSA all,

For Officer Safety. This was passed to me by a contact within DPS.

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Assistant Chief / Border Patrol Liaison
Texas Border Security Operations Center – Austin, TX

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

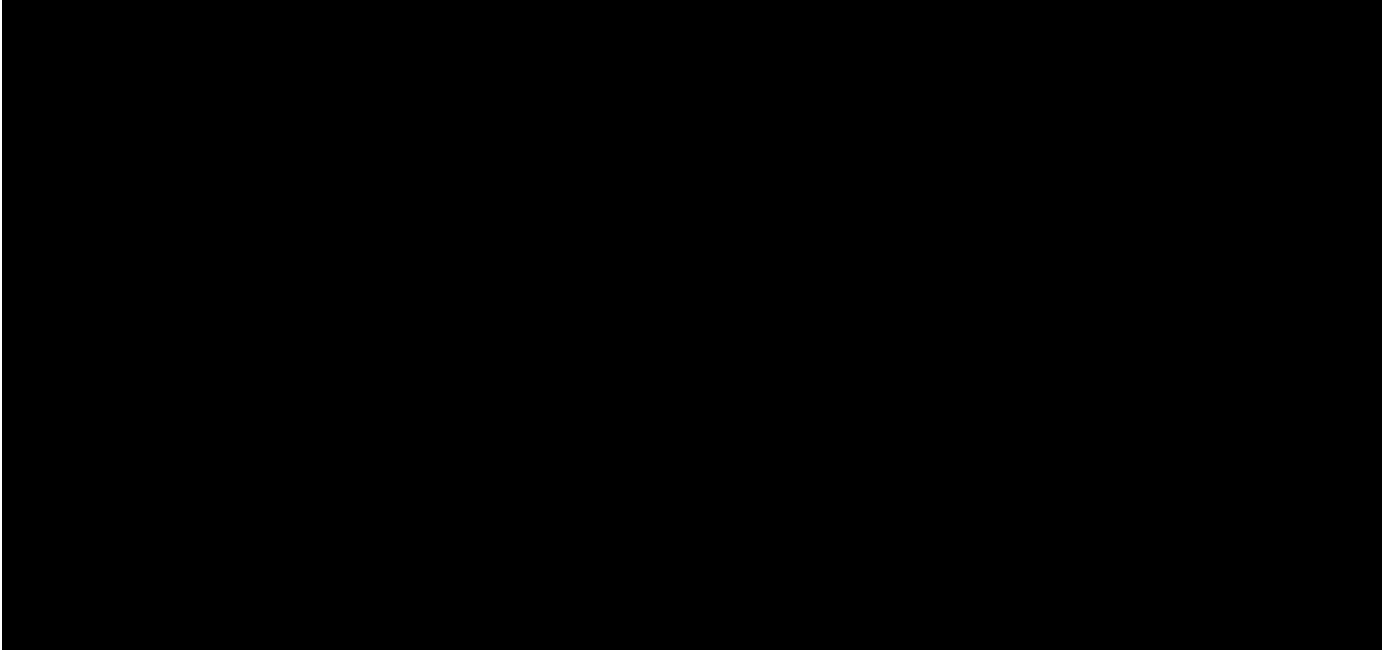



(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)



This was (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) profile photo at the time:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

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Facebook thread from May:

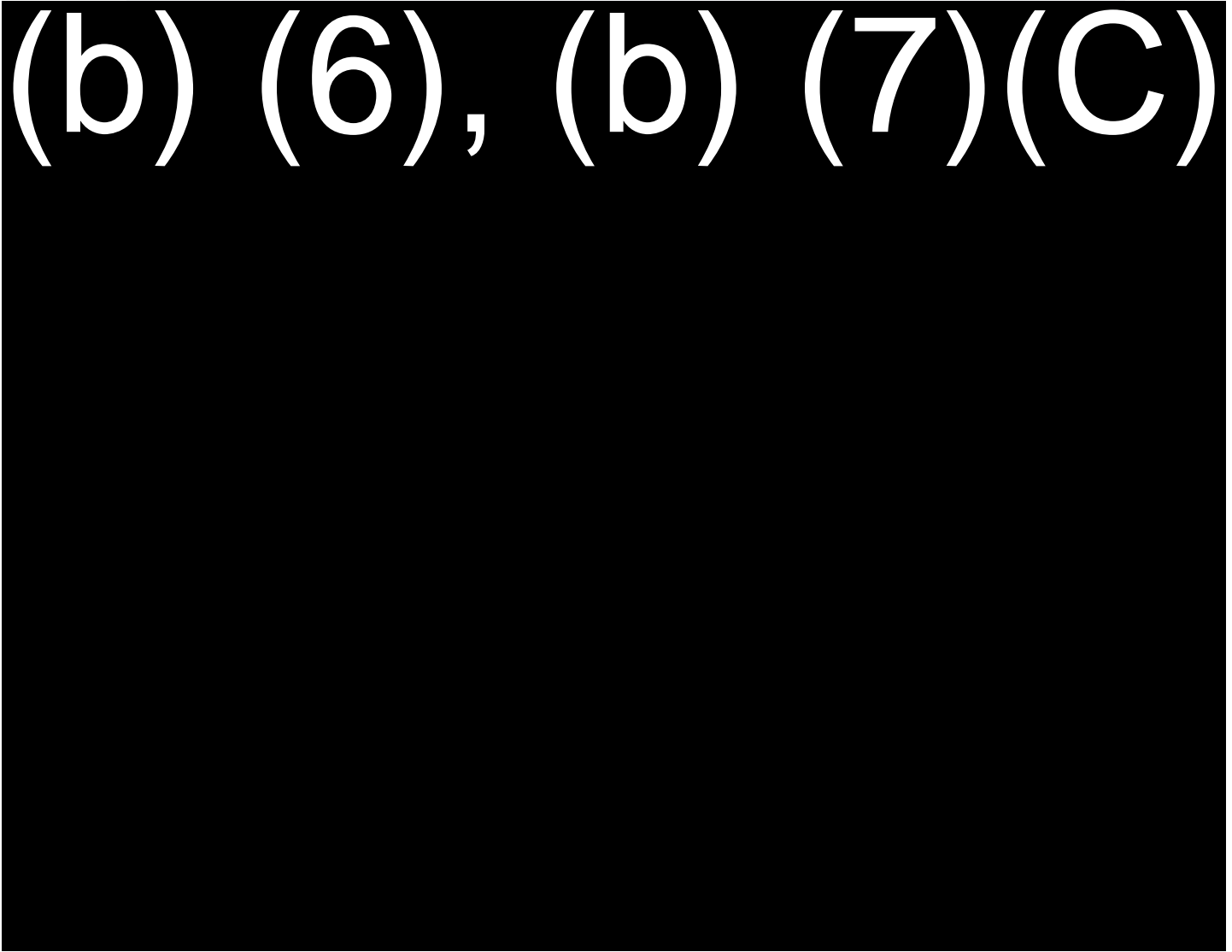
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

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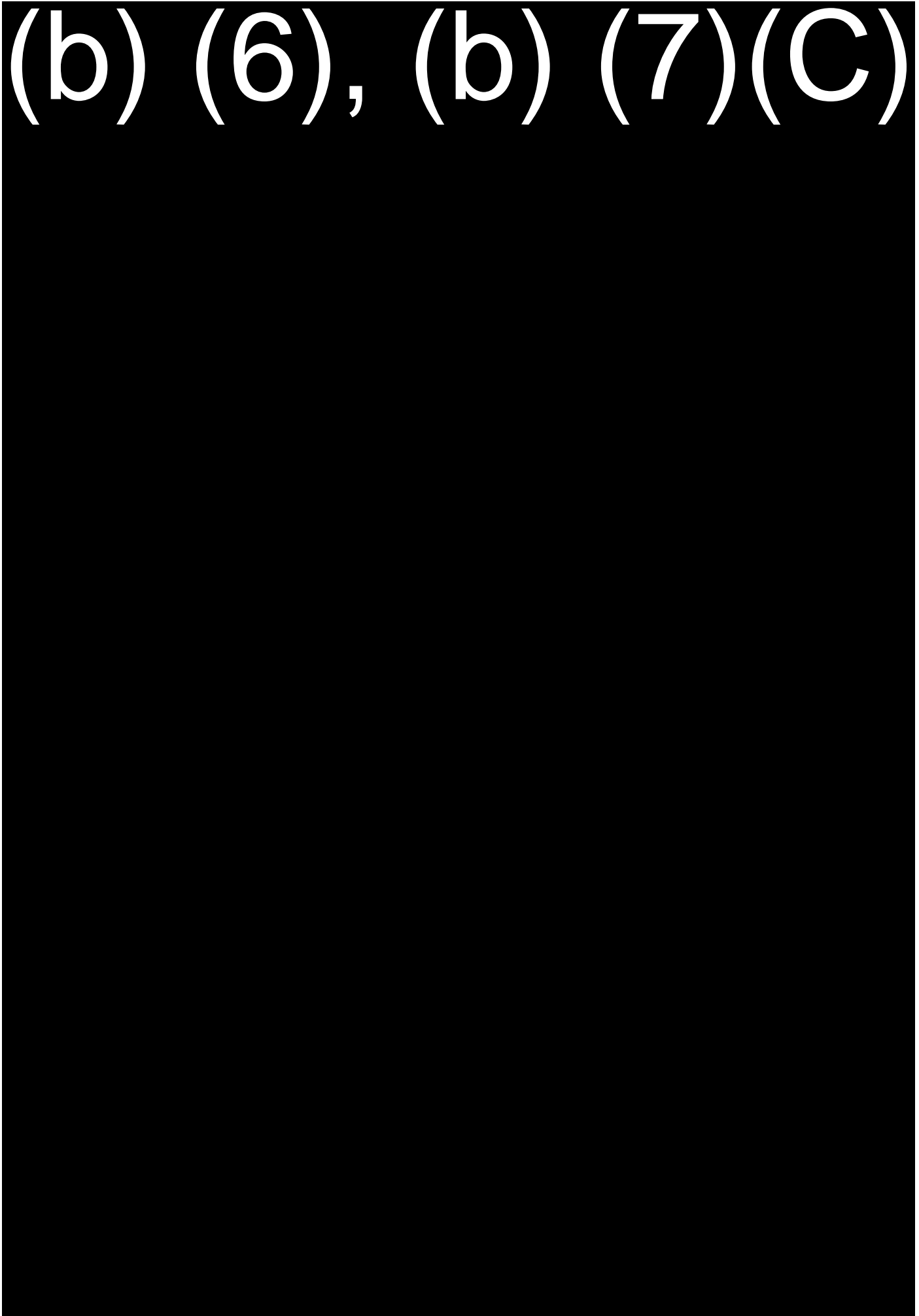
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)



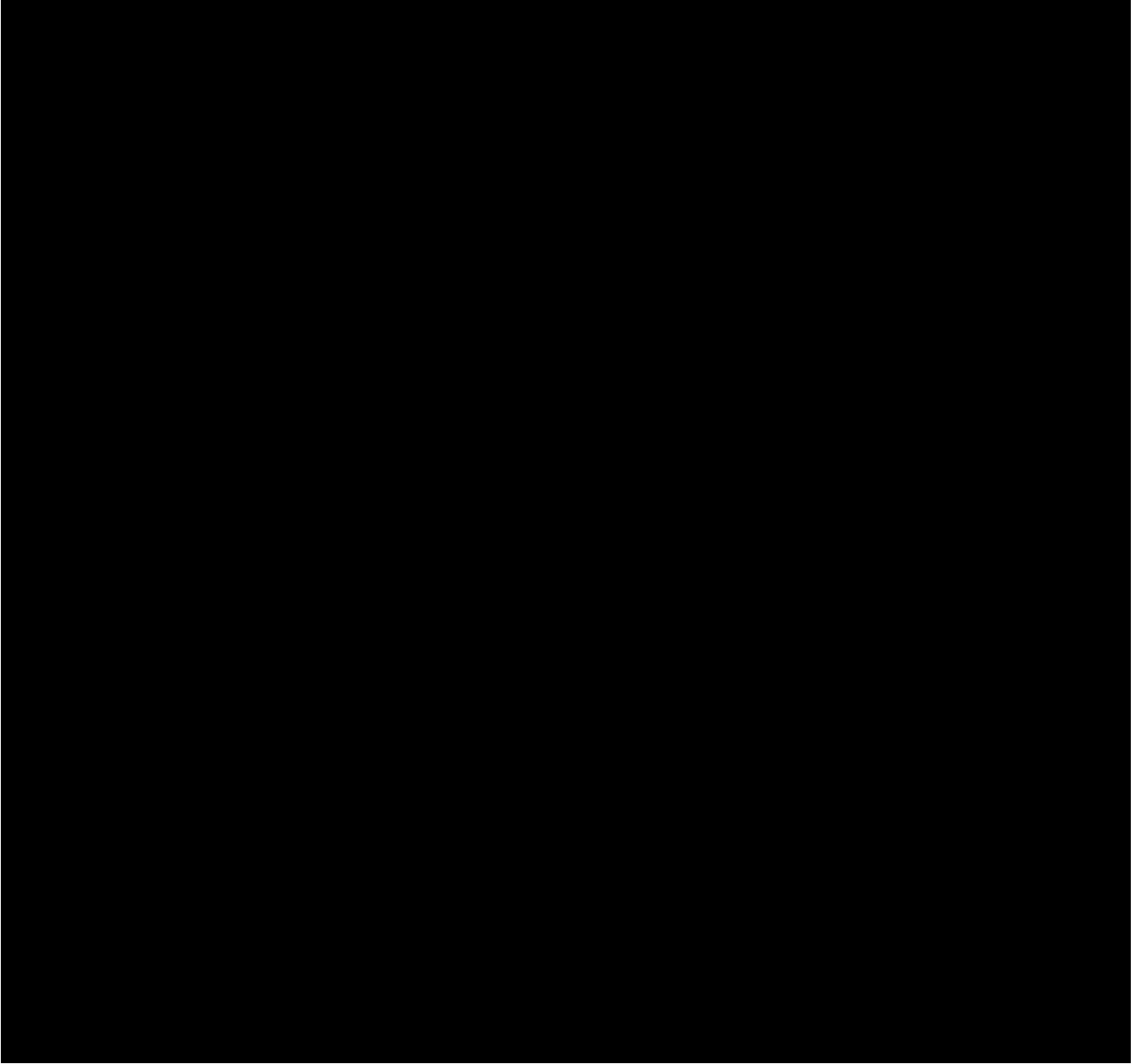
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV OPS](#); [RGV-STC](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (7) [PAIC](#)
Cc: (b) (7)(D), (b) (7)(E)
Subject: (b) (7) Weekend Consolidated Report 10/10/2014 to 10/13/2014
Date: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 7:55:05 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

MILITIA INCIDENTS: 1

- (b) (7)(E) Agents encountered several Militia subjects at the (b) (7)(E), in (b) (7)(E) Texas, heading south from the levee towards the river road. When asked what they were up to, the subjects at first refused to speak to the Agents and then became belligerent. (b) CSO was summoned and responded to the area. The Militia members departed the area before (b) CSO arrived. (b) CSO informed the Field SBPA that the landowner would have to file a formal complaint for trespassing. RGV (b) (7)(E) was notified.

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV OPS; RGV-STC; RGV (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7) PAIC; (b) (7)(b) (7)(E)
Subject: (b) (7) Weekend Consolidated Report from November 21, 2014 - November 23, 2014
Date: Monday, November 24, 2014 3:37:26 AM
Attachments: image001.png
Importance: High

(b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

On November 23, 2014, at approximately 7:10 p.m., Militia member advised agents working near (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) Residence outside of (b) (7)(E) that Militia had five subjects in custody at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). Agent advised Militia to contact (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office (CSO) for trespassing. (b) CSO was contacted, no charges were filed, no Militia were identified by (b) CSO, and all subjects were TOT (b) (7)(E)

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(b) (7)(E)

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(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: RE: Militia Notification
Date: Sunday, August 03, 2014 1:44:59 AM

ALCON,

Agents in (b) (7)(E), Texas report encountering the same subjects on (b) (7)(E), they were asking if they could be of help to Border Patrol. The subjects were advised by agents that they could not be on private land or on the IWBC levee. The subjects stated that they were not associated with the Minute Men or any other militia.

Agents reported that there was about 10 subjects carrying long arms and wearing camouflage clothing. The subjects left the area but are believed to be nearby.

They were driving the following vehicles:

Grey 4 door Chevrolet Z71 pickup (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (logo of (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) Truck and Diesel on door)

Silver Chevrolet 4 door pickup (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
SBPA (b) (7)(E) -TOC

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2014 4:20 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: Militia Notification

All,

Be advised that four male subjects belonging to a militia group of the Texas Republican Militia made contact with one of (b) (7)(E) agent by (b) (7)(E) area near the levee. They were advised that they could not be in the area and if they had any questions to contact RGV PAO. They stated that they had just arrived from Houston, Texas and were going to be in the area.

They were driving a Silver Chevrolet four door pickup, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)).

Thanks.

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
(b) (7)(E), Texas

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(E) [ESR](#)
Subject: Militia Notification
Date: Saturday, August 02, 2014 5:20:19 PM

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They were driving a Silver Chevrolet four door pickup, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Thanks.

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Texas

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [PAIC](#); [RGV OPS](#)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.
Date: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 8:57:46 PM

Ten four

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting PAIC

RGV Sector

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 07:31 PM
To: [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [PAIC](#); [RGV OPS](#)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.

Let's get a briefing paper for OBP, an FIR for the field (awareness), share with DPS, locals...

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief-Operations

Rio Grande Valley Sector

"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 07:26 PM
To: [RGV OPS](#)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.

FYSA. We are briefing this to our agents at muster for officer safety.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Deputy Patrol Agent In Charge

(b) (7)(E) Station

RGV Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 07:23 PM
To: [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E)

Cc: (b) (7)(E) -PAIC-DPAIC-WC
Subject: FW: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.

Situational Awareness:

Minutemen at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Farms

Please read below and view the attached photographs for additional information

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Watch Commander- (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 10:12 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) 006A-MER-SUPV; (b) (7)(E) -PAIC-DPAIC-WC; W (b) (7)(E) 006A- (b) (7)(E) GML
Subject: RE: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.

ALCON,

Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) made contact with them early in the morning, and he was able to obtain the business card from the "Team Leader" Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and a picture of the .50 Caliber Sniper Rifle.

I drove inside (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farm but I was informed that they had left for the day to go rest. They are staying at the Super 8 Motel at (b) (6); (b) (7)(C), TX (b) (6); (b) (7)(C) (next to the (b) (6); (b) (7)(C)). I made telephonic contact with Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and arranged a meeting outside of the motel.

Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) claims to be a combat veteran of 20th Special Forces Group 2d Battalion US ARMY and also worked at the Mississippi corrections Center and a CID also attending the Regional Counter Drug Training Academy in Meridian Mississippi. He currently operates a security consultant business and teaches SWAT to local law enforcement agencies (gentlemen in the red shirt). The gentlemen with the beard claims to be a US ARMY veterans as well. The other gentlemen said he was a contractor (NFI)

They stated that they were hired by Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) through someone else to provide security in his property because of the escalation of violent events at the border.

These individuals have a .50 caliber sniper rifle with armor piercing rounds, couple AR-15, .308 sniper rifle and pistols. They also have bullet proof vests with SAPI Plates.

They also said they might leave next Monday, but everything will depend on "funding" (NFI). They also mentioned that they might have another group coming next week.

They are operating a black Chevy Silverado with Missouri (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). (b) (7)(E) queries and (b) (7)(E) checks performed by (b) (7)(E) resulted in no information found for this LP.

They were provided with the phone number of the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station and advised to notify the station if they encountered any illegal activity or situation.

They expressed that they want to help the border crisis and that they are pro Border Patrol and Law Enforcement.

Respectfully,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) Station BCL

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 5:21 AM

To: RGV (b) (7)(E)

Cc: (b) (7)(E) 006A-MER-SUPV; (b) (7)(E) -PAIC-DPAIC-WC; (b) (7)(E) -DIT; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.

FYSA,

At approximately 0400 hrs, on this date, agents working (b) (7)(E) at the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farm area near (b) (7)(E) TX, reported encountering three Minutemen armed with side arms patrolling the river road area on foot. The subjects advised the agents they were allowed on the property by Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and planned to patrol his farmland area for an undetermined amount of days. The agents were unable to retrieve any identification from the subjects or determine if the subjects had night vision equipment. Unknown if there are more than the three Minutemen encountered or what type of vehicles they are in. BCL agents will follow up in the morning to get more information.

V/R

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SBPA (b) (7)(E) Station

From:
To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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EAST/CENTRAL SECTORS: SITROOM: STC AREA MCALLEN GML: STC DIVISION J2 (b) (7)(E) GML: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

TAU-LAREDOFO: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC: RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA: RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA: RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS
Subject: Situational Awareness: Encounters with members of the Texas Militia
Date: Sunday, August 03, 2014 5:25:23 AM
Attachments: SITUATIONAL AWARENESS - Armed Members of Texas Militia Group 08-03-14.pdf
Importance: High

ALCON,

Attached and below is a Situational Awareness regarding encounters with members of the Texas Militia group in the Rio Grande Valley Area of Responsibility.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

On August 3, 2014, the Rio Grande Valley (b) (7)(E) received information from several Border Patrol Stations in the RGV AOR regarding multiple encounters with armed members of the Texas Militia. Agents have observed the subjects carrying rifles and handguns. The subjects were observed driving two silver colored Chevrolet pickups. Agents observed multiple subjects in the cab and bed of the trucks. The subjects have approached agents to offer their assistance. The subjects were advised to report all illegal activity to the U.S. Border Patrol.

(b) (7)(E)

The RGV (b) (7)(E) will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as they become available.

Vehicle Description:

YEAR: 2007

MAKE: Chevrolet

Vehicle Description:

Year: 2012

MAKE: Chevrolet

MODEL: 2500

COLOR: Silver

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

MODEL: 2500

COLOR: Silver

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

All stations are reminded to notify the RGV (b) (7)(E) of all encounters with these types of groups.

For any questions, please contact the RGV (b) (7)(E) at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA
Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)
Date: Thursday, August 07, 2014 2:50:36 AM

Notification
Encounter With Texas Militia Members
(b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Texas

On August 6, 2014, at approximately 11.00 PM, Agents responded to the (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E) Texas to assist with several UDA's in the water and hiding in the brush along the edge of the canal. When agents arrived to the scene a DPS Trooper also arrived to assist. At about the same time several subjects that were armed, dressed in fatigues and thought to be part of a DPS tactical team arrived as well. A short time later, an agent went into the canal into calf deep water and convinced two of the subjects to get out of the canal, however several more remained in the water hiding beneath the overhanging weeds and carrizo. Realizing the remainder of the group would not come out of the water, another BPA Agent entered the water that was waist deep and began to remove the UDA's from the canal. It was at this time two of what were believed and portrayed to be DPS Rangers also entered the water to assist. At no time did any BPA agent request their assistance. The BPA was able to retrieve all of the subjects from the water without further incident. The supposed DPS Rangers were in the water and only helped several UDAs out of the canal.

After all of the subjects were on the levee it was discovered that the subjects dressed in the fatigues were members of the Texas Militia. All subjects were identified and are listed below.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Vehicles:

White
Subaru Outback
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Blue
Toyota Tundra
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

All subjects were advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency. DPS Trooper (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) also identified and the subjects and advised that she would submit an (b) (7)(E) report on the group. (b) (7)(E) Also notified DPS (b) (7)(E) Command Center and RGV (b) (7)(E) of the encounter.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Encounter with State Militia
Date: Thursday, August 07, 2014 1:36:11 AM

Just received a call from WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) regarding Militia in the (b) (7)(E) area. Long story short our Agents were extracting a group of UDAs from the canal when several subjects green fatigues (much like BTC or Ranger Recon) showed up almost simultaneously as a DPS trooper. When initially questioned the subjects stated they were with the "State" so agents they were traveling with the trooper. During the process of removing the aliens from the canal, a couple of them jumped in the water to assist agents. Soon after agents noticed that the "State" guys had no markings on their fatigues and that when they re-questioned them and found they were part of a private Militia. WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) feels that the subjects initially misrepresented themselves as "State" personnel.

WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is going to put out a notification via email and generate Memos. I didn't feel the need to wake you all up at this point. There were no pictures taken that they know of. I advised him to check with the (b) (7)(E) to see if a SIR was required.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Texas Militia Group

Date: Thursday, August 07, 2014 2:38:53 PM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

For the FIR....

Detailed (b) (7)(E) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated the he saw members of the Texas Militia Group staying at the Hampton Inn in (b) (7)(E), Texas.

(b) (7)(E)

Regards,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

RGV-(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(F) PAIC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7)(F) SUPV
Subject: Militia members encountered in (b) (7)(F) AOR
Date: Thursday, August 07, 2014 8:12:59 PM
Importance: High

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

On August 7, 2014, at approximately 6:10 p.m., agents assigned to the (b) (7)(E) Station working east of (b) (7)(E) POE (b) (7)(E) had a brief encounter with 4 Militia members.

BACKGROUND:

- At 6:10 p.m., (b) (7)(E) Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called the station and informed SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) that he encountered 4 subjects driving along the river road, south of the levee, in a camouflage Jeep. Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised that all four subjects claimed to be Militia Members and were being shown the area by the land owner (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was observed leaving the area during the encounter.
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- Agents working in the immediate area were notified of their presence.
- GPS: (b) (7)(E)

WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).
(b) (7)(E) Station
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)
To: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Subject: FW: Militia members encountered in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Thursday, August 07, 2014 8:30:06 PM
Importance: High

FYI

Regards,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 7:13 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SUPV
Subject: Militia members encountered in (b) (7)(E) AOR
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WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)
Date: Friday, August 08, 2014 8:21:54 AM

Any additional informational in order to brief V-1 this am? Lets shoot for 8 AM for discussion in the CPA CR..

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 7:38 AM
To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

I believe a briefing document, and an FIR is in order here, I will loop in DCPA and CPA..

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 1:51 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA
Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

Notification
Encounter With Texas Militia Members
(b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Texas

On August 6, 2014, at approximately 11.00 PM, Agents responded to the (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E) Texas to assist with several UDA's in the water and hiding in the brush along the edge of the canal. When agents arrived to the scene a DPS Trooper also arrived to assist. At about the same time several subjects that were armed, dressed in fatigues and thought to be part of a DPS tactical team arrived as well. A short time later, an agent went into the canal into calf deep water and convinced two of the subjects to get out of the canal, however several more remained in the water hiding beneath the overhanging weeds and carrizo. Realizing the remainder of the group would not come out of the water, another BPA Agent entered the water that was waist deep and began to remove the UDA's from the canal. It was at this time two of what were believed and portrayed to be DPS Rangers also entered the water to assist. At no time did any BPA agent request their assistance. The BPA was able to retrieve all of the subjects from the water without further incident. The supposed DPS Rangers were in the water and only helped several UDAs out of the canal.

After all of the subjects were on the levee it was discovered that the subjects dressed in the fatigues were members of the Texas Militia. All subjects were identified and are listed below.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Vehicles:

White
Subaru Outback
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Blue
Toyota Tundra
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

All subjects were advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency. DPS Trooper (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) also identified and the subjects and advised that she would submit an (b) (7)(E) report on the group. (b) (7)(E) Also notified DPS (b) (7)(E) Command Center and RGV (b) (7)(E) of the encounter.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)
Date: Friday, August 08, 2014 8:30:19 AM

I'll check with DPS for any additional info.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Deputy Patrol Agent in Charge
(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 08, 2014 07:26 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6); (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

10-4 Sir.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Special Operations Supervisor
RGV Sector - (b) (7)(E)
Edinburg, TX 78542
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 08, 2014 7:22 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

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"Leading The Charge"
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

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Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 1:51 AM
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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] RGV (b) (7)(E)
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV (b) (7)(E) RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Subject: Re: Militia members encountered in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Thursday, August 07, 2014 8:33:57 PM

Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
SOS-RGV (b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 07:30 PM
To: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Subject: FW: Militia members encountered in (b) (7)(E) AOR

FYI

Regards,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 7:13 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SUPV
Subject: Militia members encountered in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Importance: High

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

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WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV OPS
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.
Date: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 8:26:03 PM

FYSA. We are briefing this to our agents at muster for officer safety.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Deputy Patrol Agent In Charge
(b) (7)(E) Station
RGV Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 07:23 PM
To: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) -PAIC-DPAIC-WC
Subject: FW: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.

Situational Awareness:

Minutemen at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Farms

Please read below and view the attached photographs for additional information

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Watch Commander (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 10:12 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) 006A-MER-SUPV; (b) (7)(E) -PAIC-DPAIC-WC; (b) (7)(E) 006A (b) (7)(E) GML
Subject: RE: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.

ALCON,

Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) made contact with them early in the morning, and he was able to obtain the business card from the "Team Leader" Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and a picture of the .50 Caliber Sniper Rifle.

I drove inside (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farm but I was informed that they had left for the day to go rest. They are staying at the Super 8 Motel at (b) (6); (b) (7)(C), TX (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (next to the (b) (6); (b) (7)(C)). I made telephonic contact with Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and arranged a meeting outside of the motel.

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They also said they might leave next Monday, but everything will depend on "funding" (NFI). They also mentioned that they might have another group coming next week.

They are operating a black Chevy Silverado with Missouri LP 5CT 196.

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They were provided with the phone number of the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station and advised to notify the station if they encountered any illegal activity or situation.

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Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) Station BCL

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 5:21 AM

To: RGV (b) (7)(E)

Cc: (b) (7)(E) 006A-MER-SUPV; (b) (7)(E) -PAIC-DPAIC-WC; (b) (7)(E) -DIT; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.

FYSA,

At approximately 0400 hrs, on this date, agents working (b) (7)(E) at the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farm area near (b) (7)(E) TX, reported encountering three Minutemen armed with side arms patrolling the river road area on foot. The subjects advised the agents they were allowed on the property by Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and planned to patrol his farmland area for an undetermined amount of days. The agents were unable to retrieve any identification from the subjects or determine if the subjects had night vision equipment. Unknown if there are more than the three Minutemen encountered or what type of vehicles they are in. BCL agents will follow up in the morning to get more information.

V/R

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SBPA (b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farms.
Date: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 8:31:20 PM

Let's get a briefing paper for OBP, an FIR for the field (awareness), share with DPS, locals...

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief-Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector
"Leading the Charge"

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RGV Sector

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Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) Station BCL

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 5:21 AM

To: RGV (b) (7)(E)

Cc: (b) (7)(E) 006A-MER-SUPV; (b) (7)(E) -PAIC-DPAIC-WC; (b) (7)(E) -DIT; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Minutemen Spotted at (b) (6); (b) (7)(C) farms.

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SBPA (b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(F) PAIC
Cc: RGV (b)
Subject: Militia Member encountered in (b) (7)(F) AOR
Date: Friday, August 08, 2014 9:52:04 AM

DCO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) just briefed CPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) that (b) (7)(E) had a really strong BCL relationship with landowners such as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). Is this still the case and are we still having community meetings, etc.

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Ops Division
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Cc: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: RE: Militia Member encountered in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Friday, August 08, 2014 10:32:43 AM

Thanks again Sir!

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Friday, August 08, 2014 9:23 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: RE: Militia Member encountered in (b) (7)(E) AOR

Yes that is accurate. (b) (6), (b) (7) spoke with (b) (6), (b) (7) earlier this week and I spoke with him (b) (6), (b) (7) last week. He mentioned these folks would be on his property but didn't say for how long. We've encountered them twice; yesterday evening shift and early this morning on mids.

(b) (6), (b) (7)

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Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: Militia Member encountered in (b) (7)(E) AOR

DCO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) just briefed CPA (b) (6), (b) (7) that (b) (7)(E) had a really strong BCL relationship with landowners such as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). Is this still the case and are we still having community meetings, etc.

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Ops Division
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV (b) (7)(E); RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Subject: Re: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)
Date: Thursday, August 14, 2014 10:58:12 PM

Thx

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting PAIC

RGV Sector

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 09:57 PM
To: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

ALCON;

Please read below information from (b) (7)(E) station referencing the latest encounter with Texas Militia members.

This information will be updated into the several "Running" reports that RGV (b) (7)(E) has pertaining to encounters with militia personnel.

Thank you,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 9:48 PM
To: RGV (b) (7)(E); (b) (7)(E) -TOC; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS
Cc: (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA
Subject: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

Notification
Encounter With Texas Militia Members

(b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Texas

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All subjects were identified and are listed below. (Note: Same subjects from Aug. 8 encounter)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Vehicle:

Blue
Toyota Tundra
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

All subjects were advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency. (b) (7)(E) Also notified DPS (b) (7)(E) Command Center and RGV (b) (7)(E) of the encounter.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV, (b) RGV-PAO
Subject: Militia Group Guidance
Date: Friday, August 15, 2014 11:21:50 AM

All,

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Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Operations Division
RGV Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: UPDATE (6): S/A-Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s)
Date: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 8:18:15 PM
Attachments: [image006.png](#)
[Shut Down All Ports of Entry.pdf](#)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We are holding a Law Enforcement only meeting tomorrow at the Rio POE at 1300 hours to discuss this port protest by the Border Militia Group. Starr County, Rio PD, HSI and DPS are scheduled to attend. Hope to see you or a representative there.

Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Port Director
Rio Grande City, TX
Laredo Field Office

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 01:19 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

TAU-LAREDOFO; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS

Subject: UPDATE (6): S/A-Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s)

ALCON,

Attached and below is an Officer Safety (Shut Down Port of Entry) sent on behalf of the (b) (7)(E)

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E)-CBP

Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 1:09 PM

To: (b) (7)(E) FA1; (b) (7)(E) FA2; (b) (7)(E) FA3; LRT (b) (7)(E) 2; SDC (b) (7)(E) ACTIC ACTIC; BP-

(b) (7)(E)

Cc: (b) (7)(E)-CBP

Subject: UPDATE (6): S/A-Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s)

UPDATE (6):

On September 9, 2014 further research revealed the following **ports of entry** to be listed as the ports of entry organizers plan to shut down as a result of their planned simultaneous protest:

<u>Arizona</u>	<u>California</u>	<u>New Mexico</u>	<u>Texas</u>
Douglas	Andrade	Columbus	Brownsville
Lukeville	Calexico East	Santa Teresa	Del Rio
Naco	Calexico West		Eagle Pass
Nogales	Otay Mesa		El Paso
San Luis	San Ysidro		Fabens
Sasabe	Tecate		Hidalgo
			Laredo
			Progreso
			Presidio
			Rio Grande City
			Roma

(b) (7)(E) research revealed organizers uploading documents such as "Port Attendee Guidelines" to their

(b) (7)(E)

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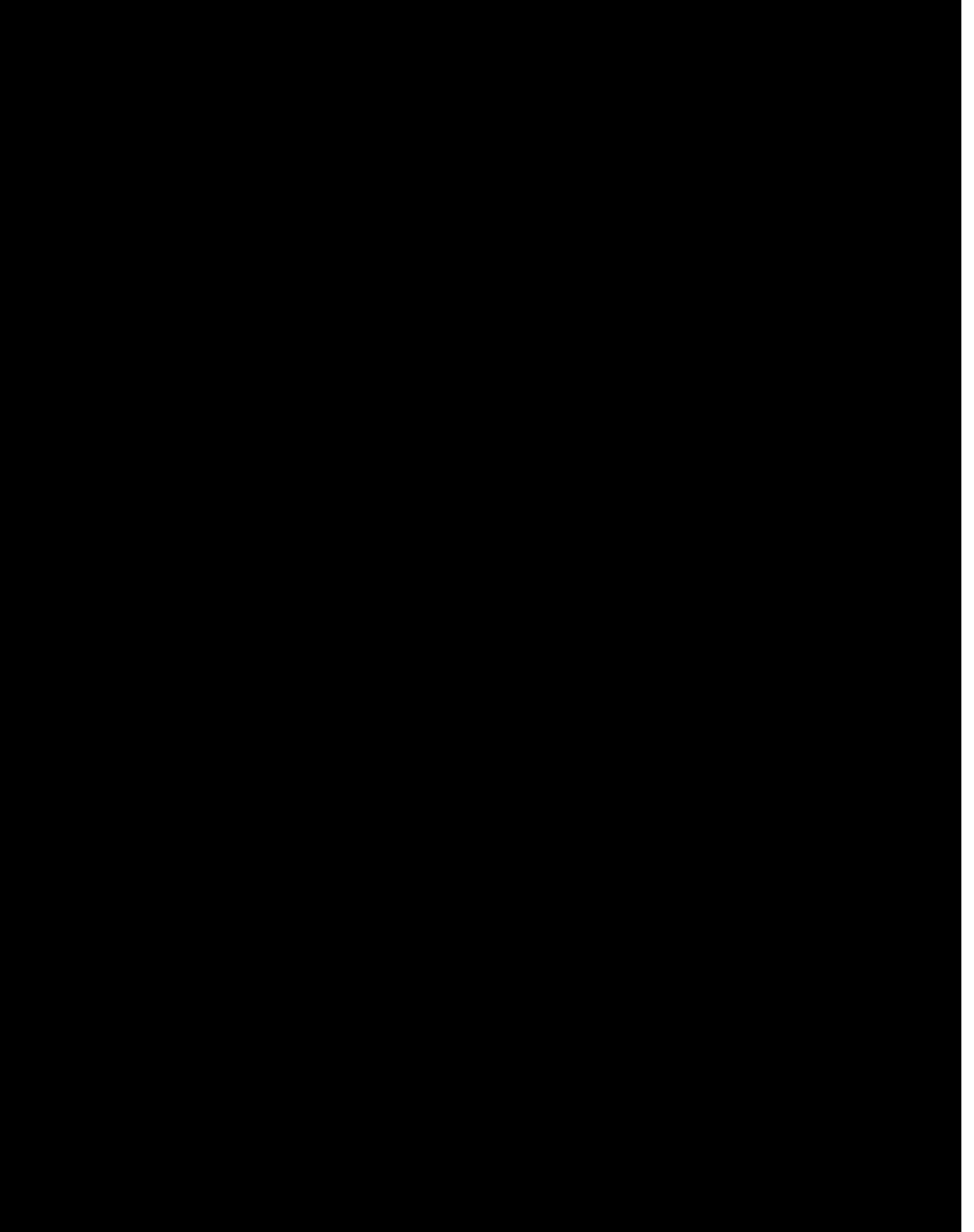
(b) (7)(E)

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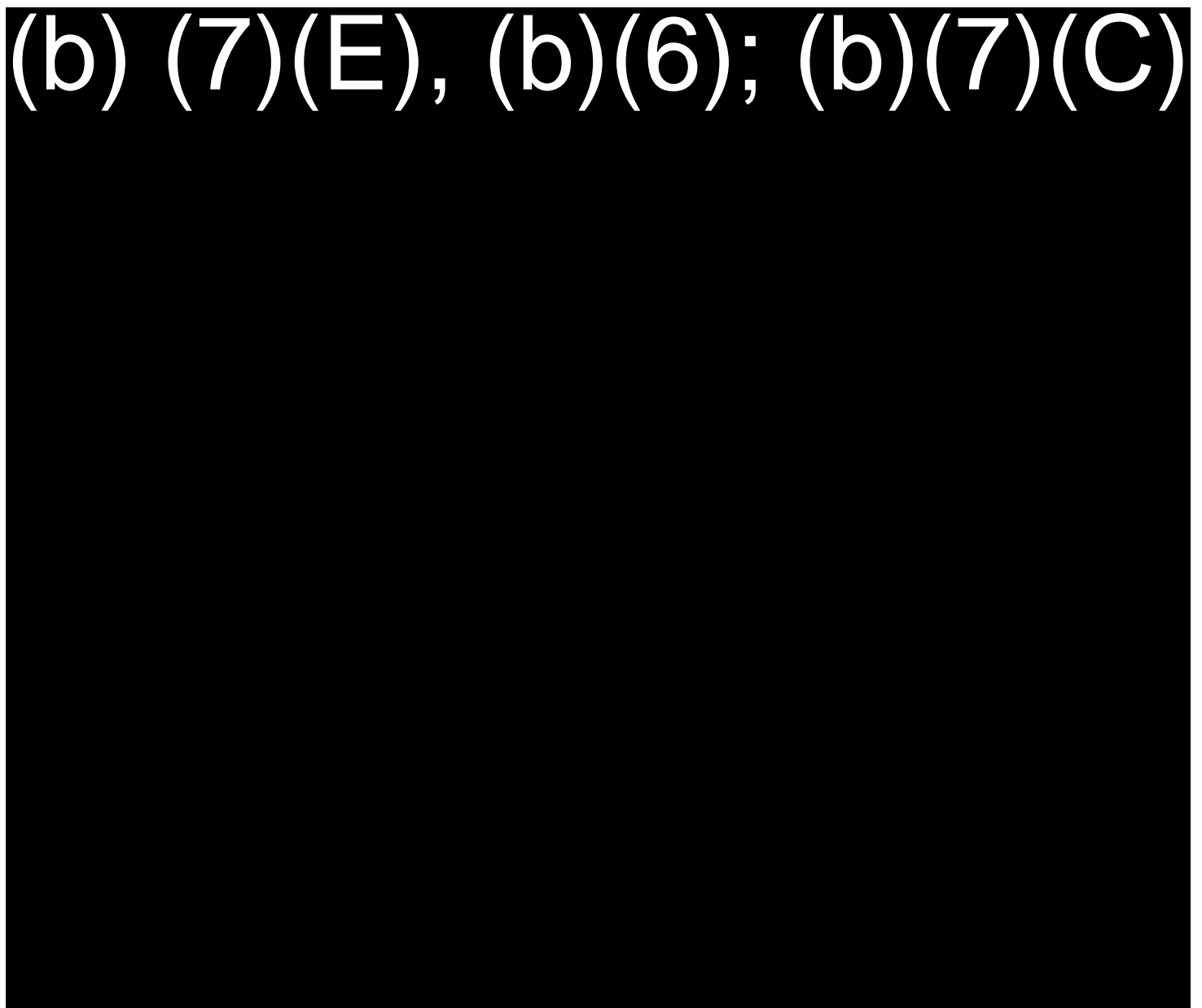


(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) LBPA](#); [RGV \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) SBPA](#); [RGV \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) ANALYSTS](#); [RGV \(b\) \(7\)\(E\) PAIC](#)
Cc: [RGV \(b\) \(7\)\(E\)](#)
Subject: Fw: Militia Group Guidance
Date: Friday, August 15, 2014 11:24:15 AM

For action as needed.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting PAIC

RGV Sector

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2014 10:21 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV OPS; RGV-PAO

Subject: Militia Group Guidance

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Operations Division

RGV Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Monday, August 11, 2014 4:34:18 PM

Ten4, we are in a staff meeting...

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief-Operations

Rio Grande Valley Sector

"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 03:23 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

Hello (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Anyway, when you get a chance as I know you are very busy.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2014 11:27 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Watch Commander

(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2014 10:55 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR

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Later in the shift, SOS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and I were patrolling in the same area and encountered the same Militia members. They introduced themselves and informed us that they were here to help in any way possible and their intention is not to get in our way or cause any problems. I advised them that our concern is the safety of the agents as well as their safety when patrolling in the same area. They informed us that they had some uniforms with IR reflective material and IR-detectable strobe lights that some do attach to their clothing in an effort to assist in identifying their presence. They continued by describing their detection capabilities which included night vision and FLIR equipment. The one in charge identified himself as (b) (6) and said they are not Militia members but part of an independent organization who have worked in the McAllen, and Laredo areas in the past few months. They did not identify or associate themselves in any one organization. (b) (6) mentioned having a lot of support from McAllen agents but not from Laredo agents.

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wc (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: (b) (7)(E) ? : Militia Members (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Monday, August 11, 2014 6:08:44 PM

(b) (7)(E)

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 3:24 PM
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Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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[REDACTED]

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(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E); (b) (7)(E) -TOC
Subject: RE: NOTIFICATION: TEXAS MILITIA GROUP ENCOUNTER (8/15/2014)
Date: Saturday, August 16, 2014 1:41:42 AM
Attachments: image001.png

An FIR will be forthcoming.

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
(b) (7)(E) Station
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]



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Sent: Saturday, August 16, 2014 12:24 AM
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E); (b) (7)(E) -TOC
Subject: NOTIFICATION: TEXAS MILITIA GROUP ENCOUNTER (8/15/2014)

Texas Militia Group Encounter Notification
August 15, 2014
(b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E), Texas
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Vehicle

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TX License Plates (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Members

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Station

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Subject: Re: NOTIFICATION: TEXAS MILITIA GROUP ENCOUNTER (8/15/2014)
Date: Saturday, August 16, 2014 10:19:01 AM
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Thank you (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(E)-TOC
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Station

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



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Encounter With Texas Militia Members
(b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E), Texas

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All subjects were identified and are listed below. (Note: Same subjects from Aug. 8 encounter)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Vehicle:

Blue

Toyota Tundra

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

All subjects were advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency. (b) (7)(E) Also notified DPS (b) (7)(E) Command Center and RGV (b) (7)(E) of the encounter.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E) ; (b) (7)(E) -TOC
Subject: NOTIFICATION: TEXAS MILITIA GROUP ENCOUNTER (8/15/2014)
Date: Saturday, August 16, 2014 1:24:06 AM
Attachments: (b) (7)(E)

Texas Militia Group Encounter Notification

August 15, 2014

(b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E), Texas

Initial Notification

On August 15, 2014, at approximately 11:45 PM, (b) (7)(E) Agents informed the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station's Tactical Operations Center (b) (7)(E) TOC that four members of the Texas Militia Group (TMG) were observed near the (b) (7)(E) and the Levee in (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) Agents stated that all of the TMG members were wearing camouflage uniforms and all were carrying assault rifles. (b) (7)(E) Agents informed the TMG Members that they needed to stay north of the levee.

The Texas Militia Group members were identified as the following:

Vehicle

2014 Toyota Tundra

TX License Plates (b) (6), (b) (7)(C))

Members

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

TMG member (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that they were former members of the Operation Secure our Border. TMG member (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that they were going to be in the vicinity of (b) (7)(E) and (b) (7)(E) until 0600 hours.

All subjects were advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency. (b) (7)(E) TOC notified the DPS (b) (7)(E) Command Center and the RGV-(b) (7)(E) of the encounter.

Updates will follow if applicable.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 9:48 PM

To: RGV (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) -TOC; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS

Cc: (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA

Subject: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

Notification
Encounter With Texas Militia Members

(b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Texas

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RIO007A](#) (b) (7)(E) SUPERVISORS
Subject: Fw: Militia Group
Date: Friday, September 12, 2014 6:15:50 PM

FYI

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Office: 956-217-3704
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (7)(E) -TOC
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 06:10 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: Militia Group

On September 12, 2014, at approximately 1645 hours, the (b) (7)(E) TOC was advised directly via phone by Militia member (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) that he, two males and one female will be in the (b) (7)(E) Texas area. The Members will be driving a white Chevy Equinox bearing California Lic. Plate (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and a white Chevy Silverado bearing Nebraska Lic Plate (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Agents working in the vicinity have been advised by the (b) (7)(E) TOC of the militia presence. No further information is available as of this writing.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RIO007A (b) (7)(E) SUPERVISORS
Subject: Fw: Militia Group
Date: Friday, September 12, 2014 6:56:13 PM

Fysa!!!!

Please make the agents in the (b) (7)(E) area aware of possible militia in the area!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Watch Commander

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 05:19 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) RIO007A (b) (7)(E)
WATCHCOMMANDERS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) >
Subject: Fw: Militia Group

FYSA

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Deputy Patrol Agent in Charge

(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RIO007A^{(b) (7)(E)}-SUPERVISORS
Subject: RE: Militia Group
Date: Friday, September 12, 2014 7:08:49 PM

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
(b) (7)(E) Station
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 5:56 PM
To: RIO007A^{(b) (7)(E)}-SUPERVISORS
Subject: Fw: Militia Group

Fysa!!!!

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Watch Commander
(b) (7)(E) Station
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

; RIO007A (b) (7)(E) -FOS; RIO007A (b) (7)(E) WATCHCOMMANDERS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Militia Group UPDATE- 1739 hours

Date: Friday, September 12, 2014 7:20:53 PM

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E) -TOC

Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 5:48 PM

To: (b) (7)(E) -TOC; (b) (7)(E) ESR

Subject: Militia Group UPDATE- 1739 hours

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Militia Member (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) informed (b) (7)(E) TOC via telephone that he and all the other militia members in the (b) (7)(E) area were leaving for the day and are not expecting to occupy any other area. No other information was given.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E) -TOC

Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 5:10 PM

To: (b) (7)(E) ESR

Subject: Militia Group

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(E) -TOC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) ESR
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
Subject: RE: Civilian Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
Date: Saturday, August 23, 2014 9:09:43 PM

Evolving Situational Report
Civilian Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
August 23, 2014
Initial/Final

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Be advised that agents in the area were advised via radio for officer safety reasons.

If you have any questions please contact the (b) (7)(E) Station TOC at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) -TOC

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
(b) (7)(E) Station
Rio Grande Valley Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
To: (b) (7)(E) -TOC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E); (b) (7)(E) -ESR
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SBPA; M (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
Subject: RE: Civilian Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
Date: Saturday, August 23, 2014 9:42:16 PM

Update:

The Civilian Militia members called to report a group north of the canal that is located west of the (b) (7)(E).

The caller was identified (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) from Edinburg. His partner is identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

They are in a White Subaru SUV (4-door)

TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2014 8:10 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) TOC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E); (b) (7)(E) ESR
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
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TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) -TOC

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Station

Rio Grande Valley Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
To: (b) (7)(E) -TOC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E); (b) (7)(E) ESR
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
Subject: Update: Civilian Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR
Date: Saturday, August 23, 2014 11:09:21 PM

Update: Agents report that the group that was called out by the militia was cleared as animal traffic (a group of pigs).

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E) -TOC
Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2014 8:42 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) -TOC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E); (b) (7)(E) ESR
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
Subject: RE: Civilian Militia Group in (b) (7)(E) Station's AOR

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Cc: (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS
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If you have any questions please contact the (b) (7)(E) Station TOC at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Respectfully,

(b) (7)(E) -TOC

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E) Station

Rio Grande Valley Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP; (b) (7)(E) SUPV
Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Texas Militia Blind Site 08/24/2014
Date: Sunday, August 24, 2014 6:11:13 PM

Thanks (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Operations Division
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2014 01:12 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SUPV
Subject: Texas Militia Blind Site 08/24/2014

FYSA,

On Sunday, August 24, 2014, during our dayshift muster, Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) mentioned that the Texas Militia Group had set up a Tripod Blind near the (b) (7)(E). According to Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) the Blind also has a trip wire that will set off some kind of flare once triggered.

SBPAs (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and I out drove out the (b) (7)(E) area to see if we could locate the Blind site. While driving upriver of the area in question, we were able to locate the Tripod Blind approximately five yards upriver of the (b) (7)(E). We noticed that there were no militia subjects at the Blind sit, but it is important to note that the said blind is approximately 10 to 15 yards away from the actual river (just north of river).

We didn't see any trip wire in place, but perhaps our Public Land Officer can bring this concern along with the concern by SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on the email below with (b) (7)(E) or the POC for this group. I will be sending this to our Collateral (b) (7)(E) Agents so that they can put this up for our agents in the muster powerpoint.

Actual Blind:

(b) (7)(E)

Respectfully,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2014 8:56 AM

To: (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP

Cc: (b) (7)(E) SUPV

Subject: Texas Militia

On today's date at approximately 7:30 am, I was informed by Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) who was working in the (b) (7)(E) area, of "Texas Militia" driving south of the levee on the (b) (7)(E). Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that he saw three male subjects, dressed in fatigues and fully armed, driving in a Polaris Razor type vehicle. At approximately 7:55 am, I stopped the group about two miles south of the levee on the (b) (7)(E). I immediately identified myself and informed them that they were on a (b) (7)(E) (federally protected land) and could not be patrolling this area. I further explained to them that it was the (b) (7)(E) Station's understanding that they **only** had permission to patrol (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property and that they understood those set forth parameters. The driver, identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) seemed to be under the impression that they could patrol to the (b) (7)(E) but would do as asked and clear the

area. I asked (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to remind their entire crew of the agreed upon area they are allowed to be in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and to call if they saw any potential illegal activity. All subjects left the area without incident.

Sups, please inform the agents to challenge all subjects travelling on the levee, especially in the areas outside (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: STX (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) Products - Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports 12SEP14
Date: Monday, September 15, 2014 9:40:30 AM
Attachments: STX (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) FY14 Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports 03SEP14.pdf
STX (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) FY14-Follow-up to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia 11SEP14.pdf
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Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(E)

Below is an update to the RFI on -Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports.

Please let us know if you have any questions and/or need additional information.

Thanks.

v/r

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Director

South Texas (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 5:45 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: STX (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) Products - Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports 12SEP14

ALCON,

Attached you will find two STX (b) (7)(E) products with information regarding the possible shutdown of southern border ports of entry:

1. (b) (7)(E) -Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports, dated 03SEP14
2. (b) (7)(E) -Follow-up to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia, dated 11SEP14 provides pictures of individuals identified as port organizers (see attachment).

(U) Update to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia 12SEP14

(U) The information contained herein is an update to a request for information regarding a possible shut down of southern border ports of entry. This report is a follow-up to RFI (b) (7)(E) (U) Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Team Three Percent Militia Group.

(FOUO//LES) This report partially addresses (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) efforts to identify transnational criminal organizations threat to legitimate trade and travel into the STXBIC area of responsibility.

(FOUO//LES) Research on September 11, 2014 through law enforcement databases, open source, and social media revealed a continued effort by a militia group to organize a "Shutdown of All Ports of Entry" along the United States/Mexico border.

(FOUO//LES) The group's web page is composed of 1,556 members and has invited an additional 400 people to attend the September 20th event. A total of 103 members have confirmed they will be attending the event and 29 have indicated that they may attend. The group's main goal is to shut down the Ports of Entry (POE) until their demands are met according to their political views.

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is the groups spoke person who identified the following individuals as the port organizers (PO) for the following locations as of September 11, 2014: **PICTURES INCLUDED IN ATTACHMENT**

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a resident of San Marcos, California and one of four administrators of the group. (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) has been actively encouraging members to attend the event on September 20th. (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) will be serving as one of the POs in California.

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is an active militia member in Laredo, Texas. (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) arrived in Laredo, Texas with a different militia group with the intent of securing the Southern border from illegal immigrants. (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) is associated to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and shares the same views. (Analyst Comments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) supports the shut-down but it is unknown if she will serve as a PO and for which port).

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- (FOUO//LES) Collaborators: BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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v/r

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Director

South Texas (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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^[1] (U) <http://www.latimes.com/local/abcarian/la-me-ra-tahmooressi-supporters-plan-to-wreak-havoc-at-border-20140911-column.html#page>



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(b) (7)(E)

(U) Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Team Three Percent Militia Group 03SEP14

(U) The information contained herein is in response to a request for information regarding a possible shut down of southern border ports of entry.

(FOUO//LES) Research on September 2, 2014 through law enforcement databases, open source, and social media revealed a militia group organizing a “Shutdown All Ports of Entry” along the United States/Mexico border. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Figure 1) is the main organizer for the proposed event scheduled to commence on September 20, 2014. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (No picture available) is the group’s publicists responsible for disseminating information regarding the plan of action for September 20.

Figure 1

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the entire content of Figure 1.

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a member of the Team Three Percent (3%) national militia group that is currently conducting militia operations in the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) area of responsibility (AOR). The group originates from the state of Indiana and is reportedly composed of 1,036 members. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is the owner and president of RC Recycling Company, a recycling site for commercial and industrial equipment in New Paris, Indiana.

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(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) claims to be a member of three different militia groups that share the same ideology on stopping illegal immigration. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) lives and operates out of Murrieta, California. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) main duty is to post updates and coordinate a plan of action for September 20, 2014. The “Shutdown All Ports of Entry” group web page is followed by 1,496 members that receive updates and request for support from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

(FOUO//LES) The “Shutdown All Ports of Entry” group states their goals and 10 non-negotiable demands as their objective for the proposed event. The group has stated that the start time is 8:00 a.m. Pacific Standard Time on September 20, 2014. The group is in the preparation stage focusing on ensuring safety for all participants. The leaders of the proposed event are requesting a volunteer to be a point-of-contact for each port of entry on the Southern border.

(FOUO//LES) Tactics Techniques and Procedures (TTPs) are discussed on the group’s web page. The group leaders are asking volunteers to arrive at the point of entry with large vehicles i.e. semis, trucks, recreational vehicles, and any other means to help them close the ports from incoming and outgoing traffic. The group leaders are also asking for perishable items and to follow the rule of law based on the Constitution of the United States.

(FOUO//LES) Analyst Comments: Followers of the web page is not an indicator of number of participants. Groups of pro-immigrants are disseminating information of the “Shutdown All Ports of Entry” group’s intentions via social media. The main concern should be how many participants will follow the action plan and how many opponents will demonstrate against this proposal.

Sources: Law Enforcement databases, open source, and social media:

- (U) <http://www.latinorebels.com/2014/09/02/group-promoting-september-20-shut-down-all-ports-of-entry-event-yeah-good-luck-with-that/>
- (U) <http://www.shutdownallports.com/notifications.html>
- (U) <http://www.sandiegored.com/noticias/57047/Anti-immigrant-groups-plan-to-block-border-crossings-on-September-20th/>
- (U) <http://www.telesur.tv/english/news/Anti-immigration-Groups-Call-to-Shut-Down-US-Border-With-Mexico-20140829-0061.html>

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(b) (7)(E)

(U) Update to Possible Shut-down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Militia 12SEP14

(U) The information contained herein is an update to a request for information regarding a possible shut down of southern border ports of entry. This report is a follow-up to RFI (b) (7)(E) (U) Possible Shut Down of Southern Border Ports of Entry by Team Three Percent Militia Group.

(FOUO//LES) This report partially addresses (b) (7)(E) efforts to identify transnational criminal organizations threat to legitimate trade and travel into the STX (b) (7)(E) area of responsibility.

(FOUO//LES) Research on September 11, 2014 through law enforcement databases, open source, and social media revealed a continued effort by a militia group to organize a “Shutdown of All Ports of Entry” along the United States/Mexico border.

(FOUO//LES) The group’s web page is composed of 1,556 members and has invited an additional 400 people to attend the September 20th event. A total of 103 members have confirmed they will be attending the event and 29 have indicated that they may attend. The group’s main goal is to shut down the Ports of Entry (POE) until their demands are met according to their political views.

(FOUO//LES) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is the groups spoke person who identified the following individuals as the port organizers (PO) for the following locations as of September 11, 2014:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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(FOUO//LES) On September 11, 2014, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) indicated on open source that she would serve as PO for Laredo and California. (Analyst Comment: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), an active militia member in the Laredo area of responsibility (AOR), offered to be the PO for Laredo on August 17, 2014. It is (b) (7)(E)). (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is an active militia member and one of the main organizers of the event. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is also the PO for the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) AOR. (Analyst Comment: It is unclear which specific port(s) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will serve as the PO in RGV).

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(U) Developed by: BPA- (b) (6); (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV OPS; RG (b) (7)(E); RGV-PAO
Cc: (b) (7) PAIC; (b) (7) SUPV
Subject: ESR on (b) (7) Shooting Incident
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 7:27:01 PM
Importance: High

See ESR below on the shooting incident.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Watch Commander

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 5:41 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: (b) (7) shooting incident
Importance: High

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT REPORT

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

Location: (b) (7)(E)

On August 29, 2014, at approximately 3:38 p.m., (b) (7)(E) Agents working in the (b) (7)(E) area off of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas, began chasing a group of subjects near the Rio Grande River. A subject stepped out of the heavily vegetated area brandishing an assault rifle aimed in the direction of the subjects. He then turned his assault weapon on the agents. A BPA drew his Department issued firearm and fired at the armed subject. The subject was not injured, but was detained and his weapon was secured. It was later discovered that he is a Militia member, and two other armed Militia members had been laying in near the area where this encounter took place. The Militia members only have permission to be on land owner (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) property, that is several miles west of the (b) (7)(E).

NOTE: The subjects do not associate themselves with any specific "militia" group.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS:

1538 hrs Agents working traffic
1540 hrs Agent fired rounds
1541 hrs Supervisor is requested through (b) (7)(E) and a (b) (7)(E) is sent
1541 hrs SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is making his way to the scene
1543 hrs A Request goes out to (b) (7)(E) to (b) (7)(E)
1600 hrs DPAIC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrive on the scene
1600 hrs SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) contacted Lt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office
1605 hrs ACPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was advised of the situation
1606 hrs Agent was advised to go to (b) (7)(E) to meet (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Deputy
1608 hrs CIRT Team (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called (b) (7)(E) and advised they were headed to the scene (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
1611 hrs BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called and advised BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a witness to the incident
1615 hrs Pictures of all 3 Militia members are taken
1619 hrs Patrol Sgt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office arrives on scene. Case number is (b) (7)(E), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).
1640 hrs FBI SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and FBI Acting SAC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised they are en route
1700 hrs RGV PAO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrives on scene
1705 hrs CIRT (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrives on scene
1715 hrs FBI Agents arrive on scene and (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office Investigator arrive on scene
1800 hrs U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Officers arrived and confirmed the scene is not on

protected lands.

There are no reported injuries

SUBJECTS:

Militia member who pointed weapon at agent was identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject Produced NO IDENTIFICATION

Two other Militia members laying in near the area were identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

WEAPONS:

Militia Member (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) brandished at agent is:

Assault Rifle:

7.62 Serbian Zastava PAP M92PV

Serial#: (b)(6), (b)

Two other handguns and 3 assault rifles were secured from the militia members.

ILLEGAL ALIEN SUBJECTS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY DURING THIS EVENT:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Updates to follow...

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Cc: RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 9:33:58 AM
Attachments: IMAG0681.jpg
Importance: High

GM (b) (7)(E)

Can we please have (b) (7)(E) conduct a thorough debrief of these three UDAs and gather info such as:

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Operations Division
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 04:49 AM
To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR

ALCON;

Forwarded for your awareness.

Thank you,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV (b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:41 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (7)(E) SUPV

Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:28 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Subjects detained by Militia

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

On August 28, 2014, at approximately 8:30 PM., (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), a land owner in the (b) (7)(E) AOR, called the station to report that his guys had detained three subjects who were trespassing on his property. Supervisor (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) then notified agents working near the area to respond to the call. Agents arrived near a washout, the south end of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property, and conducted an immigration inspection on all three subjects. Once it was determined that the three subjects had no legal right to be in the U.S., agents took custody of the subjects without incident. Agents then obtained information on the militia member who had detained the three subjects. The subjects did not make any allegations or complaints of mistreatment or abuse by any of the militia members. The subjects were transported to the (b) (7)(E) Station and are currently going through processing procedures.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS:

- 8:30 PM (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) calls the station and speaks to SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) regarding three individuals that were detained by members of a militia who have (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) permission to be on the property.
- 8:31 PM Call goes out to agents working in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) AOR to respond to the traffic.
- 8:36 PM Agents (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrive at the scene to conduct immigration inspections on the three subjects.
- 8:40 PM Subject were taken into custody without incident.

(b) (7)(E)

Militia member was identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)
To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: FW: Subjects detained by Militia in (b) (7)(E) AOR
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 5:49:22 AM
Attachments: IMAG0681.jpg
Importance: High

ALCON;

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Subject: Subjects detained by Militia

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

On August 28, 2014, at approximately 8:30 PM., (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), a land owner in the (b) (7)(E) AOR, called the station to report that his guys had detained three subjects who were trespassing on his property. Supervisor (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) then notified agents working near the area to respond to the call. Agents arrived near a washout, the south end of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property, and conducted an immigration inspection on all three subjects. Once it was determined that the three subjects had no legal right to be in the U.S., agents took custody of the subjects without incident. Agents then obtained information on the militia member who had detained the three subjects. The subjects did not make any allegations or complaints of mistreatment or abuse by any of the militia members. The subjects were transported to the (b) (7)(E) Station and are currently going through processing procedures.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS:

- 8:30 PM (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) calls the station and speaks to SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) regarding three individuals that were detained by members of a militia who have (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) permission to be on the property.

- 8:31 PM Call goes out to agents working in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) AOR to respond to the traffic.
- 8:36 PM Agents (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrive at the scene to conduct immigration inspections on the three subjects.
- 8:40 PM Subject were taken into custody without incident.

(b) (7)(E)

Militia member was identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: RE: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video
Date: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 1:49:17 PM

Sir,

We do not have any ID on the individual, he does have a V-Tac sling and a pool range mag on the M-4, that might help identify the station. No other identifiers could be distinguished.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 12:03 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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Subject: FW: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

Not sure if you've seen this video. Does anyone recognize the agent's voice, location or militia member?

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Executive Officer of Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector Headquarters
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:51 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

Thank You,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Division Chief-Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector

"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:45 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

Chief and Deputy, Media is asking for a statement on video.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Division Chief Operational Support
Rio Grande Valley Sector
U.S. Border Patrol

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:32 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

FYSA

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:27 AM
To: RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

FYI

Don't know if you have seen this yet.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV (b)
Subject: RE: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video
Date: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 2:51:36 PM

The militia member is not recognized as being with the group at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Agent's voice, particular attire and weapon (magazine) are not recognized as well. The background is of east San Diego County (CA) maybe....

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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To: RGV OPS; RG (b) (7)(C); RGV-PAO; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7) PAIC; (b) (7) SUBV
Subject: Update on FINAL: ESR on (b) (7) Shooting Incident
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 11:51:13 PM
Attachments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]
7.62 Zastava.jpg
weapons.jpg

UPDATE:
The following weapons and one Go Pro camera were seized by (b) (7)(E) County. Subjects were released:

rifle Zastava, Serbia PAP M92PV 7.62 cal, ser # (b) (6);, carried by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

pistol Llama 45 cal, ser # (b) (6), carried by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

rifle Winchester Model 70, 243 cal, ser # G1914149, with scope Tasco 3x9 ser BCI80109, carried by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

pistol Springfield XDS 45 cal, ser # (b) (6), carried by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

rifle Centurion 39 Sporter 7.62 cal ser # (b) (6);, carried by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:56 PM
To: RGV OPS; RG (b) (7)(E); RGV-PAO; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FINAL: ESR on (b) (7) Shooting Incident

FINAL

8/29/14 1900 hrs

- All parties cleared from the from the scene
- The three Mexican UDA females apprehended in the area will be advised of their right to speak to their consular officer prior to their departure from the station and will also be held through the night in the event any entity requests to speak with them in the morning.
- Agent involved in the shooting incident:
 - o Name: BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
 - o DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
 - o Class: (b) (7)(C)
 - o SS last 4: (b) (6)
 - o Weapon: H&K pistol, serial # (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Watch Commander

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT REPORT

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

Location: (b) (7)(E)

On August 29, 2014, at approximately 3:38 p.m., (b) (7) Agents working in the (b) (7)(E) area off of (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas, began chasing a group of subjects near the Rio Grande River. A subject stepped out of the heavily vegetated area brandishing an assault rifle aimed in the direction of the subjects. He then turned his assault weapon on the agents. A BPA drew his Department issued firearm and fired at the armed subject. The subject was not injured, but was detained and his weapon was secured. It was later discovered that he is a Militia member, and two other armed Militia members had been laying in near the area where this encounter took place. The Militia members only have permission to be on land owner (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)'s property, that is several miles west of the (b) (7)(E).

NOTE: The subjects do not associate themselves with any specific "militia" group.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS:

1538 hrs Agents working traffic

1540 hrs Agent fired rounds

1541 hrs Supervisor is requested through (b) (7)(E) and a (b) (7)(E) " is sent

1541 hrs SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is making his way to the scene

1543 hrs A Request goes out to (b) (7)(E) to (b) (7)(E) "

1600 hrs DPAIC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and WIC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrive on the scene

1600 hrs SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) contacted Lt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office

1605 hrs Division Chief (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was advised of the situation

1606 hrs Agent was advised to go to (b) (7)(E) to meet (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Deputy

1608 hrs CIRT Team (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called (b) (7)(E) and advised they were headed to the scene (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

1611 hrs BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) called and advised BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a witness to the incident

1615 hrs Pictures of all 3 Militia members are taken

1619 hrs Patrol Sgt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office arrives on scene. Case number is (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

1640 hrs FBI SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and FBI Acting SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised they are en route

1700 hrs RGV PAO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrives on scene

hrs CIRT (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrives on scene

1715 hrs FBI SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office Investigator Lt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrive on scene

1800 hrs U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Officers arrived and confirmed the scene is not on protected lands.

There are no reported injuries

SUBJECTS:

Militia member who pointed weapon at agent was identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject Produced NO IDENTIFICATION

Two other Militia members laying in near the area were identified as:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

WEAPONS:

Militia Member (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) brandished at agent is:

Assault Rifle:

7.62 Serbian Zastava PAP M92PV

Serial#: (b)(6);

Two other handguns and 3 assault rifles were secured from the militia members.

ILLEGAL ALIEN SUBJECTS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY DURING THIS EVENT:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)
To: RGV OPS; OPS EAST/CENTRAL SECTORS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Subject: (b) (7)(E) Briefing Paper & SIR: "Shots Fired by an Employee" Incident
Date: Saturday, August 30, 2014 6:33:20 AM
Attachments: (b) (7)(E) Shots Fired Briefing Paper 8-29-2014.docx
(b) (7)(E) Shots Fired 8-29-14.pdf
Importance: High

ALCON,

Attached and below is a Briefing Paper regarding a "Shots Fired by an Employee" incident that occurred near (b) (7)(E), Texas. The SIR is also attached.

The 4th quarter RGV (b) (7)(E) password will open both documents.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

Incident Briefing Paper (b) (7)(E) **Shooting Incident**

Date of Incident: August 29, 2014
Date of Report: August 30, 2014

ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

- On August 29, 2014, at approximately 3:38 p.m., an on-duty agent assigned to the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station ((b) (7)(E)) fired his CBP service issued firearm (H&K P2000 .40 caliber) at an armed subject, possibly a member of an unidentified militia group in (b) (7)(E), Texas (b) (7)(E)

CURRENT SITUATION:

- All notifications have been made to the appropriate investigative agencies.

BACKGROUND:

- On August 29, 2014, at approximately 3:38 p.m., (b) (7)(E) agents were working a group of undocumented aliens in a heavy vegetated area, approximately 12 miles east of the (b) (7)(E).
- While an agent was chasing several subjects in the brush towards the river, an armed

subject stepped out of the brush.

- The agents observed the armed subject aiming his rifle in the direction of the undocumented aliens, seconds later the subject turned the rifle in the direction of the agent.
- At 3:40 p.m., the agent drew his CBP service issued firearm and shot four rounds at the direction of the armed subject.
- Agents searched the immediate area and located two other armed subjects traveling with the first subject.
- No shots were fired at the agent.
- No injuries were reported.
- The (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office (CSO) was contacted and responded to the scene.

DISPOSITION:

- Sergeant (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) from CSO arrived at the scene and issued case number (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) CSO also seized a total of five weapons and a Go Pro Camera from the subjects.
- All proper notifications have been made.
- Three UDAs were apprehended and will be processed accordingly.
- All three members of the unidentified militia group were released.

AGENT INFORMATION (Involved):

(See attached)

AGENT'S WEAPON INFORMATION:

(See attached)

#1 SUBJECT'S INFORMATION:

(See attached)

CRIMINAL HISTORY:

(See attached)

#2 SUBJECT'S INFORMATION:

(See attached)

CRIMINAL HISTORY:

(See attached)

#3 SUBJECT'S INFORMATION:

(See attached)

CRIMINAL HISTORY:

(See attached)

WEAPON #1 INFORMATION: (Used in the Assault)

(See attached)

WEAPON #2 INFORMATION:

(See attached)

WEAPON #3 INFORMATION:

(See attached)

WEAPON #4 INFORMATION:

(See attached)

WEAPON #5 INFORMATION:

(See attached)

NOTIFICATIONS:

RGV Staff (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV CIT (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV PAO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CBP IA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

HSI (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

JIC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

OIG (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

FBI S/A (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Peer Support (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

PHOTOS:

(See attached)

MAP/GPS Coordinates of Shooting Incident:

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RGV (b) (6), (b) (7)(E); RGV (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) PAIC
Subject: FW: 9/20 plot POE - Immediate Action Required
Date: Friday, September 19, 2014 10:54:16 AM

Additional alert/info from OFO.

Port Directors:

Please see message below provided by (b) (7)(E).

(b) (7)(E)

This is all we have at this point; however, we will provide you updates as they become available.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 19, 2014 9:41 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: STC AREA MCALLEN GML; STC-MACC; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: 9/20 plot POE - Immediate Action Required

FYSA

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Port Director
South Texas Campaign-
McAllen Area Team Lead

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 19, 2014 9:15 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C);

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: 9/20 plot POE - Immediate Action Required

Port Directors:

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Again, please ensure your Federal, State and Local law enforcement partners are made aware of this significant update.

We ask that you provide an update on the actions you have taken to address this current threat by 1400 Hours today, Friday, September 19, 2014

Call me at the numbers indicated below if there are any questions.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Program Manager – Border Security
Field Operations
Laredo Field Office

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Laredo Operations Center

Contact # (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Message sent via Blackberry

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Sent: Friday, September 19, 2014 08:47 AM

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Subject: Fw: 9/20 plot POE

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Thanks

SCBPO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Fri Sep 19 09:29:26 2014

Subject: 9/20 plot POE

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will you pass this on to CBP.

(b) (7)(E)

No mention of (b) (7)(E), just (b) (7)(E).

There isn't time to publish An (b) (7)(E) product so this is being pushed out via email.

If new (b) (7)(E) is obtained today I will send it via email. You may forward this to your (b) (7)(E) folks.

Thanks

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Subject: RE: 9/20 plot POE - Immediate Action Required
Date: Friday, September 19, 2014 4:01:53 PM

T4, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

The Watch Commanders will be standing by to assist. Give us a yell if you need anything.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Patrol Agent in Charge
(b) (7)(E) Station
Rio Grande Valley Sector
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[Redacted]
[Redacted]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 19, 2014 2:59 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[Redacted]
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: 9/20 plot POE - Immediate Action Required

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Good Afternoon. Aside from the information that was disseminated today from the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), no other plans have developed from the last meeting held on Wednesday at Roma. For Rio Grande City, I along with the port command staff will be here early in the morning and will commence communication protocols with the Laredo Field Office and our LEA partners.

If you get a chance, come by for coffee.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Port Director
Port of Rio Grande City TX
Laredo Field Office
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[Redacted]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 19, 2014 1:58 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C),

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: 9/20 plot POE - Immediate Action Required

Good afternoon Directors,

Do you have any additional information or need any additional measures we (BP) can assist with?

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

WC (b) (7)(E) STATION

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Subject: FW: 9/20 plot POE - Immediate Action Required

FYI and action (disseminate for officer safety/awareness)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Please contact OFO to determine if additional information is available and any additional measure taking place/needed.

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No mention of (b) (7)(E)

There isn't time to publish An (b) (7)(E) product so this is being pushed out via email.

If new (b) (7)(E) is obtained today I will send it via email. You may forward this to your (b) (7)(E) folks.

Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: RIO007A (b) (7)(E) WATCHCOMMANDERS
Subject: Re: Port Closure Threat of September 20th-Contingency Meeting/Cierre del los Puertos de Amenaza de 20 de Septiembre Junta
Date: Thursday, September 18, 2014 1:04:15 PM

T4! Thank you (b)

ALCON,

FYSA

Thank you,

(A)SOS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Office: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

BB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2014 09:01 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Port Closure Threat of September 20th-Contingency Meeting/Cierre del los Puertos de Amenaza de 20 de Septiembre Junta

Yesterday Roma and Rio POE held a final meeting to discuss the possible demonstration of a militia group in which the militia group intends to shut down entry and exit of several POEs.

The following items were discussed and disseminated:

- 25 Ports from California to Texas will be targeted
- They have been in contact with local media sources to have their message put out
 - KURV 710 interviewed Militia Leader
- The militia's objective is to shut down all commerce at the POEs
- The militia leaders will post staging areas to members on their website on Friday
- Militia Patriots are to arrive in separate vehicles to staging sites
- Militia plans to remain outside of POE Federal Inspection Station (FIS)
- Militia will begin to demonstrate and block off the POEs at 10:00 A.M.
 - They will try to utilize RVs, trailers, and other large vehicles
- Possible back up plan
 - Resort to blocking POEs with bodies to stop traffic
- They have been instructed to have a "No Abuse of Law Enforcement" policy for this demonstration
- Both Rio and Roma POEs will be conducting outbound operations to ensure no militia member tries to gain access to the bridges
- All local law enforcement will utilize the (b) (7)(E) and (b) (7)(E) channels to communicate for this demonstration
- Militia plans to demonstrate and block the following POEs in RGV AOR

- Brownsville
- Pharr
- Rio

*So far there is no mention of Falcon, Roma or Los Ebanos. Each POE will still be on high alert.

- **They do plan to be armed**
 - **Roma City Ordinance Code only allows unloaded weapons to be carried.**
 - **Law Enforcement is exempt from City Ordinance**

All local law enforcement will be monitoring and communicating on (b) (7)(E). (b) (7)(E) will be monitored as well.

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station
(b) (7)(E), Texas
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, September 15, 2014 7:47 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: Port Closure Threat of September 20th-Contingency Meeting/Cierre del los Puertos de Amenaza de 20 de Septiembre Junta

To All

The CBP Ports of Entry Roma/ Rio Grande City Closure Threat of September 20, 2014 2nd Closure Plan Contingency meeting will be held on September 17th at the Roma Community Center at 1300 hrs.

Address: 600 E. 6th St. Roma, Texas

El CBP a todos los puertos de entrada y Roma/ Ciudad de Río Grande amenaza de cierre 20 de Septiembre, 2014 Plan de Cierre para Imprevistos 2^a reunión se celebrará el 17 septiembre en el centro de la comunidad Roma a las 1:00 de la tarde.

Direccion: 600 E. 6th St. Roma, Texas

Any Questions please call the Port at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Chief CBPO-Passenger Operations

Office of Field Operations-Roma POE

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, September 15, 2014 3:15 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6)

[REDACTED]

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (6)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

; (b) (6)

[REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Port Closure Threat of September 20th-Contingency Meeting

09/17/2014 (Wednesday) 1300 hrs.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, September 15, 2014 2:59 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C);

(b) (6)
; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C);
(b) (6); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6)
(b) (6)

Subject: Port Closure Threat of September 20th-Contingency Meeting

To All,

A "Port Closure Threat of September 20th-Contingency Meeting" will be held at the Roma Community Center on
09/17/2014 (Wednesday)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisor

Roma, Tx POE

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: Fw: Militia Groups
Date: Tuesday, August 05, 2014 11:20:52 PM

FYSA: Channel 4 link below indicates more militia groups arriving in the AOR.

This group "Patriots Information Hotline" are slated to arrive tomorrow and remain in RGV until Friday. No meeting/target location discussed but the piece says they maintain a website which may provide additional info (TBD).

[Recent Inter-agency relevance:](#)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2014 10:12 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent from my mobile.

<http://www.valleycentral.com/m/news/story?id=1079664>

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)
Date: Thursday, August 07, 2014 8:28:37 AM

So.....armed subjects wearing cammies drive up in a Subaru and they are mistaken for DPS? Amazing.....

Notification
Encounter With Texas Militia Members
(b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Texas

On August 6, 2014, at approximately 11.00 PM, Agents responded to the (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas to assist with several UDA's in the water and hiding in the brush along the edge of the canal. When agents arrived to the scene a DPS Trooper also arrived to assist. At about the same time several subjects that were armed, dressed in fatigues and thought to be part of a DPS tactical team arrived as well. A short time later, an agent went into the canal into calf deep water and convinced two of the subjects to get out of the canal, however several more remained in the water hiding beneath the overhanging weeds and carrizo. Realizing the remainder of the group would not come out of the water, another BPA Agent entered the water that was waist deep and began to remove the UDA's from the canal. It was at this time two of what were believed and portrayed to be DPS Rangers also entered the water to assist. At no time did any BPA agent request their assistance. The BPA was able to retrieve all of the subjects from the water without further incident. The supposed DPS Rangers were in the water and only helped several UDAs out of the canal.

After all of the subjects were on the levee it was discovered that the subjects dressed in the fatigues were members of the Texas Militia. All subjects were identified and are listed below.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Vehicles:

White
Subaru Outback
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Blue

Toyota Tundra

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

All subjects were advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency. DPS Trooper (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) also identified and the subjects and advised that she would submit an (b) (7)(E) report on the group. (b) (7)(E) Also notified DPS (b) (7)(E) Command Center and RGV (b) (7)(E) of the encounter.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: FW: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video
Date: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 1:03:16 PM
Attachments: [Video.MOV](#)
[ATT00001.htm](#)

Not sure if you've seen this video. Does anyone recognize the agent's voice, location or militia member?

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Executive Officer of Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector Headquarters
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:51 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

Thank You,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Division Chief-Operations
Rio Grande Valley Sector
"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:45 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

Chief and Deputy, Media is asking for a statement on video.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Division Chief Operational Support
Rio Grande Valley Sector
U.S. Border Patrol
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

E-Mail : (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:32 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

FYSA

Video just received to Comms from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), San Antonio News Express.

The video is of a Border Patrol Agent stating that he supports militia group and so on and so forth.

He is asking for a statement on the video.



(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:27 AM

To: RGV OPS; CHAPA, IRMA; PENA, ELIGIO

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Alleged BP Agent Acknowledges Support for Militia Group Video

FYI

Don't know if you have seen this yet.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Items of Interest/ Sector Stats, 08/07/14
Date: Thursday, August 07, 2014 9:10:13 AM

(b) (7)(E)

- (b) (7)(E) encountered a group of militia in the (b) (7)(E) area as they attempted to apprehend a group of UDAs which were originally thought to be DPS Ranger Recon
 - o DPS was also on scene at the time of encounter
 - o Militia members were properly identified and instructed to identify themselves immediately during future encounters

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: RE: Notification; Minutemen (b) (7)(E)
Date: Friday, May 16, 2014 9:26:01 PM

No weapons at all they are only carrying mace and it was relayed to the Park Ranger.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
TOC SBPA @ (b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2014 8:23 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: Re: Notification; Minutemen (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Any visible weapons?

Thank you.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(A)DPAIC; (b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2014 07:59 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) ESR
Subject: FW: Notification; Minutemen (b) (7)(E)

Correction: On Subject it read (b) (7)(C) area is (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E)-TOC
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2014 7:41 PM
To: (b) (7)(E) DIT; (b) (7)(E) FOS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; (b) (7)(E)-TOC; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Subject: Notification; Minutemen (b) (7)(E)

Notification; Minute Men in (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) Boat patrol Unit assigned to (b) (7)(E) responded to (b) (7)(E) on the river drag. Boat agents identified the (b) (7)(E). Agents advised that (b) (7)(E) by Minutemen in the area. They advised that a total of 10 minutemen (3 males and 7 females) all wearing camouflage were walking along the river drag in the (b) (7)(E). The

minutemen advised that they would be in the area, and if they would spot any suspect illegal aliens that they would in turn call the Border Patrol to respond.

All agents in the (b) (7)(C) were notified of the Minutemen

Texas Parks & Wildlife Officer (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was contacted and notified of the minutemen in the (b) (7)(E).

Thank you
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E) *TOC*

From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E) [DIT](#); (b) (7)(E) [FOS](#); (b) (7)(E) [PAIC-DPAIC](#);
[SOS](#); (b) (7)(E) [SBPA](#); (b) (7)(E) [WATCH COMMANDERS](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [RGV](#);
(b) (7)(E) [PAIC](#); [RGV OPS](#); [RGV-IPT](#); [RGV-SOD-COMMANDERS](#); [RGV-STC](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

(b) (7)(E) DAR 04-30-2014

Date:

Thursday, May 01, 2014 6:14:09 AM

Attachments:

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

ESR generated for an encounter with the Minutemen. (b) (7)(E) Riverine Units working the river area south of (b) (7)(E) heard voices and brush breaking near the river. Agents searched the area for possible subjects, and encountered 8 subjects, dressed in camouflage and walking with dogs. During their conversation, they claimed to be “Minutemen” just walking the area. No weapons were observed and the encounter ended without incident. (b) (7)(E) Marine agents observed no violations being committed by the subjects, so they returned to their vessels without further incident. The subjects continued roaming through the park. ESR closed.

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

Very Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Border Patrol Agent (Marine)

Data Integrity Team

(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

“Hunt the wolf! And bring the light to the dark places where others fear to go!” --LtCOL

Dave Grossman

“Semper Fortis” –Navy Motto

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of [SITROOM](#)
To: [CBP SITROOM- HQ SITUATIONAL AWARENESS](#)
Cc: [SITROOM](#)
Subject: SA: New Militia To Be Formed, Deployed To Texas-Mexico Border-UPDATE 667 to MMC IOI (b) (7)(E) 14
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 1:31:36 AM

Location(s): Texas

A Beaumont man is helping organize a militia to head down to Brownsville this fall. The militia will most likely take on the name "Golden Triangle Tactical Border Project." Militia volunteers will be paid and outfitted with \$5,000 worth of military gear. The gear includes a Troy AR-15 rifle, military-grade night vision goggles and a 30-pound plate carrier.

Potential volunteers must pass a background check and a physical fitness test in order to join the group. The group will do "basic infantry-style training." Members will be informed of the general rules for camping and patrolling at the border, including not being able to detain people, not firing at anyone (unless it's self-defense) and not consuming alcohol.

The formation of this group comes just days after the deployment of Texas National Guard troops to the border in response to the detainment of 63,000 unaccompanied minors who entered the U.S. illegally from October to July. Texas Military Forces representatives declined to comment on the activities of independent militias and how it affects the work of National Guardsmen.

Border Patrol and Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) troopers have mistaken militia groups for tactical groups from DPS. One instance prompted the Border Patrol to circulate an "issue paper" that warned other agents of these activities.

Traditional Media Sources (some page content may change or not be available over time):

- **Beaumont Enterprise**

-- <http://bit.ly/1po6A26>

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of [SITROOM](#)
To: [CBP SITROOM](#)-(b) (7)(E) [ALERT - SOUTHERN BORDER](#)
Cc: [SITROOM](#)
Subject: FW: UPDATE (6): S/A-Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s)
Date: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 2:13:09 PM
Attachments: [image006.png](#)
[Shut Down All Ports of Entry.pdf](#)

Situational Awareness:

The following information was received from the JIOC.

UPDATE (6):

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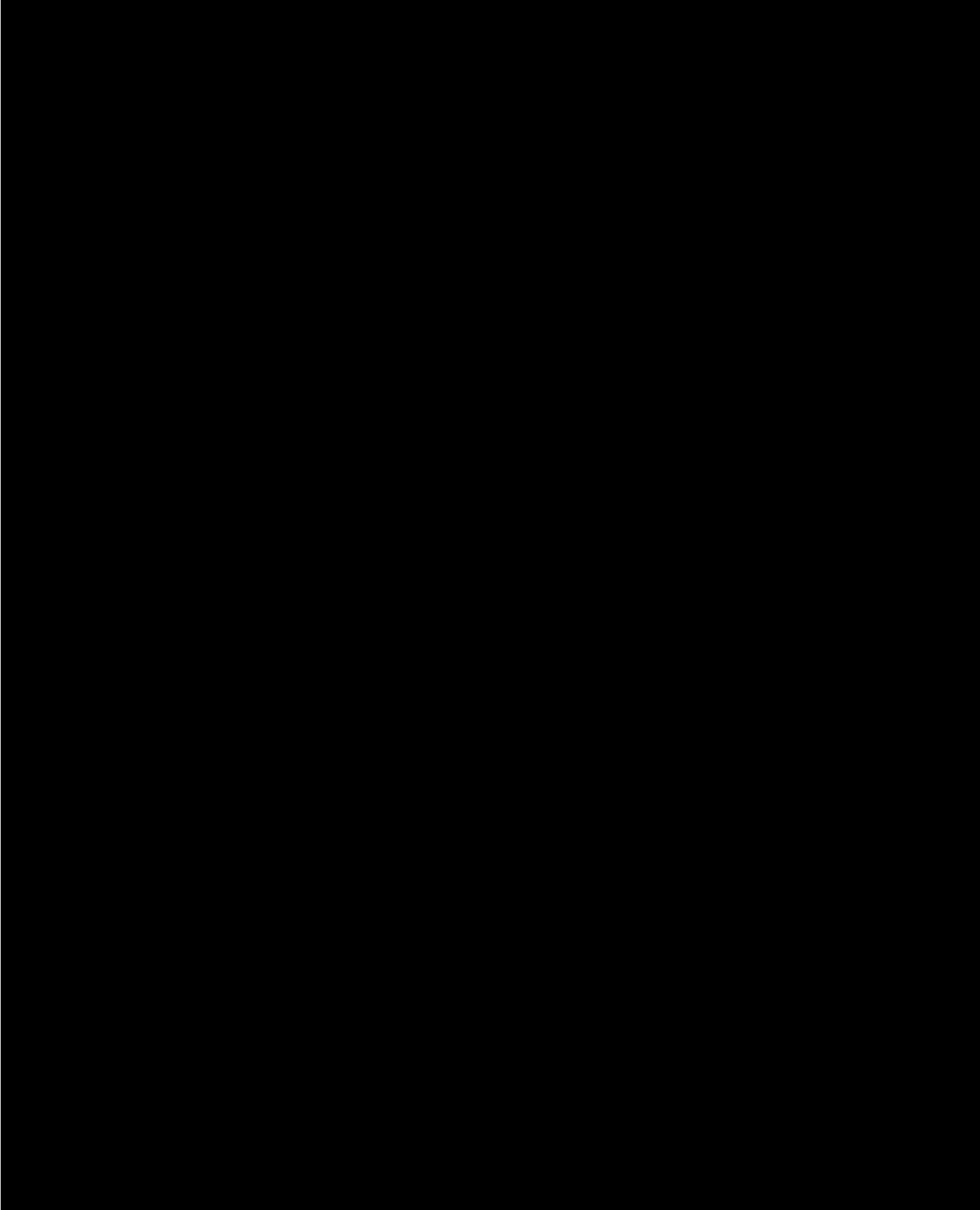
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Lukeville	Calexico East	Santa Teresa	Del Rio
Naco	Calexico West		Eagle Pass
Nogales	Otay Mesa		El Paso
San Luis	San Ysidro		Fabens
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			Progreso
			Presidio
			Rio Grande City
			Roma

(b) (7) (E)

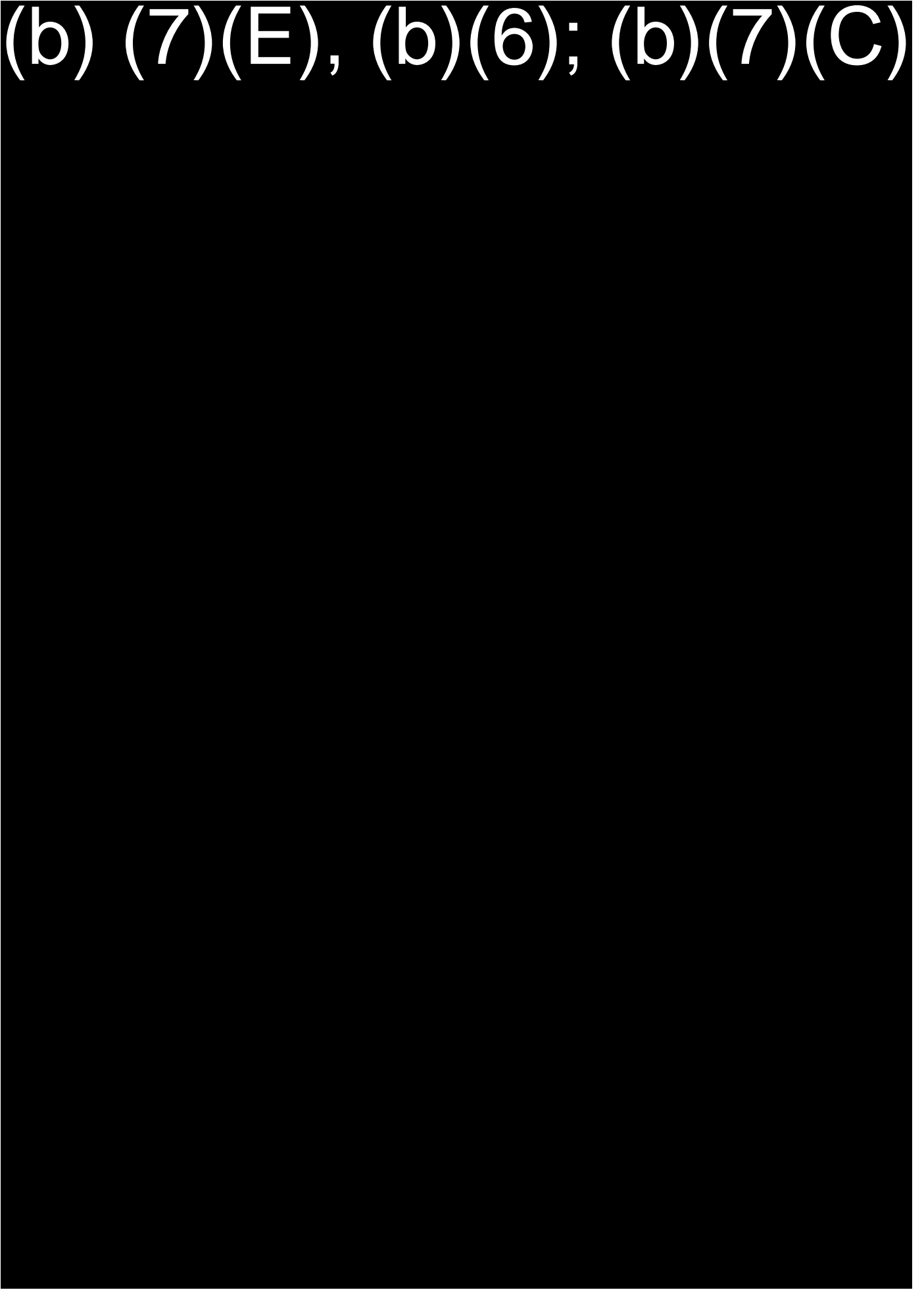
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(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



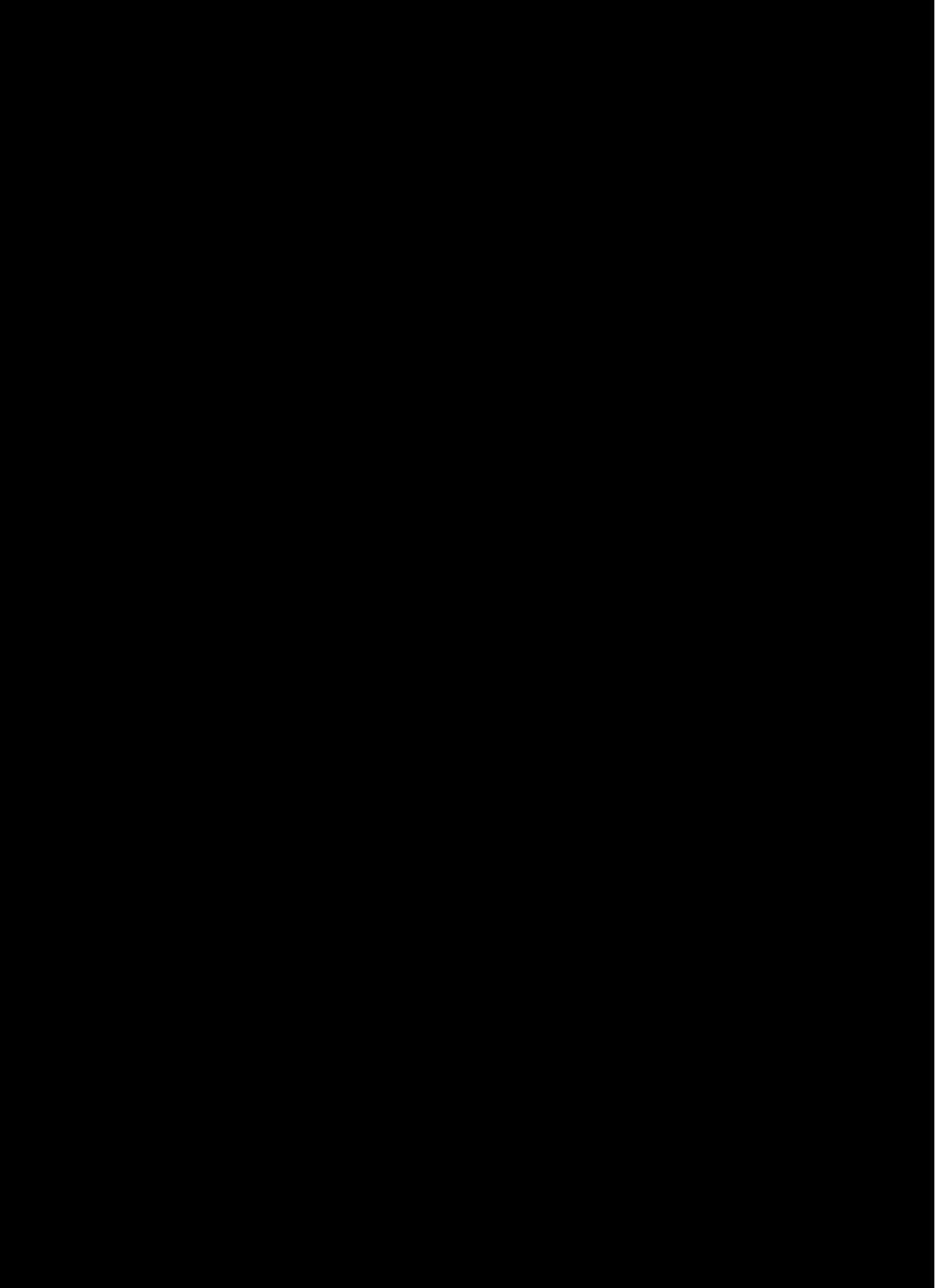
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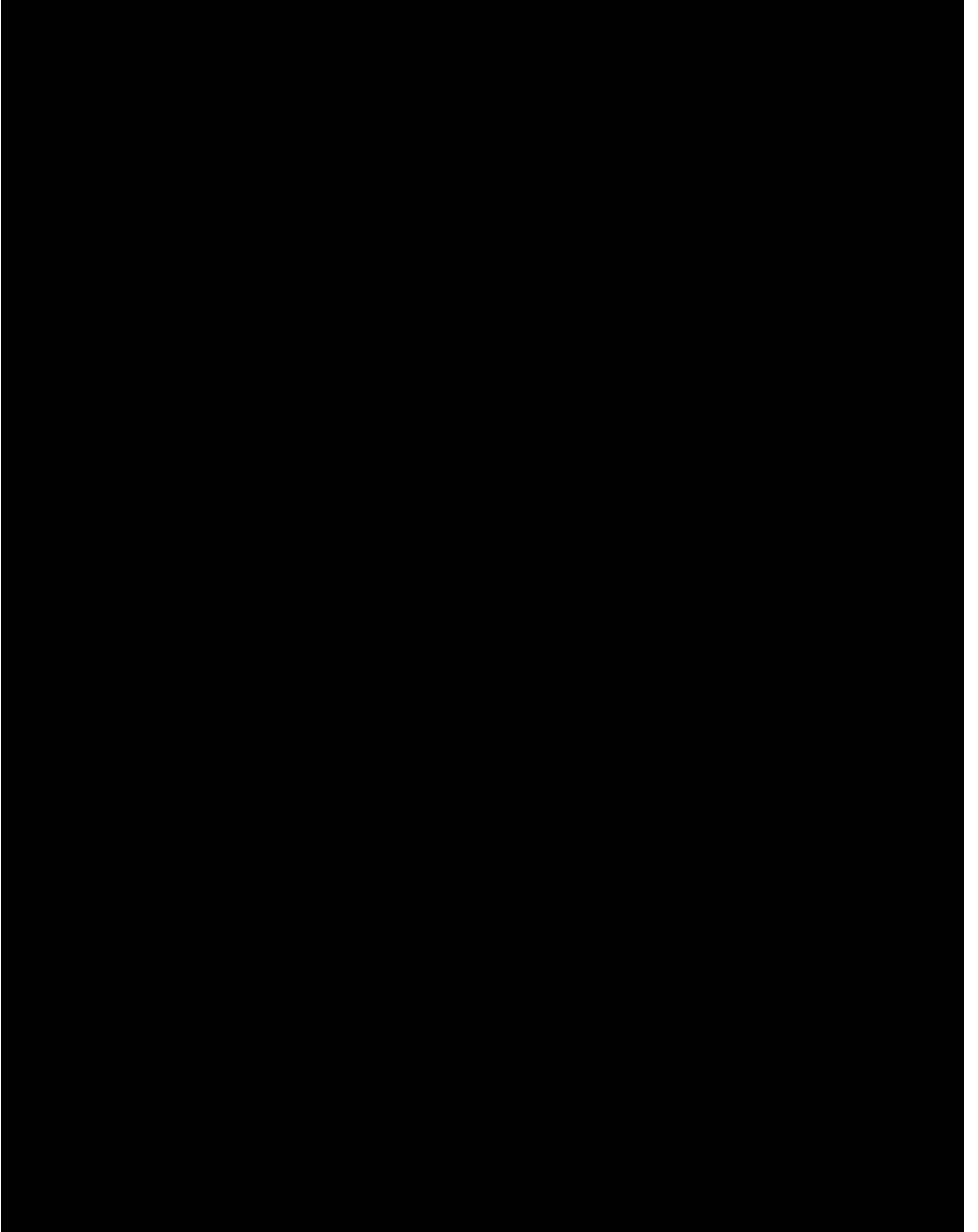
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(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: UPDATE (9): S/A - (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) & Militia Group
Date: Thursday, July 24, 2014 12:10:01 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thanks (b) (6),

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

For you S/A, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) & Militia group possibly nearing (b) AOR.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Thanks!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2014 10:22 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: UPDATE (9): S/A - (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) & Militia Group

Sir,

FYI, this subject may be headed to your AOR.

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2014 08:21 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: UPDATE (9): S/A - (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) & Militia Group

From: (b) (7)(E) CBP
Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2014 07:01 PM
To: JFC (b) (7)(E) FA1; JFC (b) (7)(E) FA2; JFC (b) (7)(E) FA3
Cc: (b) (7)(E) -CBP
Subject: UPDATE (9): S/A - (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) & Militia Group

UPDATE (9):

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



UPDATE (4):

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)



UPDATE (3):

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

UPDATE (2):

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

INITIAL REPORT:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)



(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



SUBJECT

NAME: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

YOB: Unknown

COC: US

HT/WT: Unknown

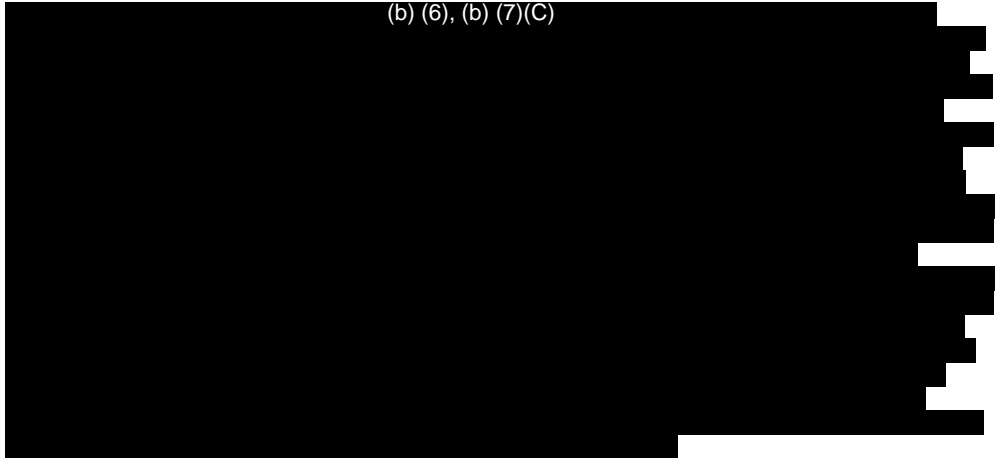
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From:
To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



Cc: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS
Subject: UPDATE (6): S/A-Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s)
Date: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 2:19:28 PM
Attachments: [image006.png](#)
[Shut Down All Ports of Entry.pdf](#)

ALCON,

Attached and below is an Officer Safety (Shut Down Port of Entry) sent on behalf of the (b) (7)(E)

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E) -CBP

Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 1:09 PM

To: JFC- (b) (7)(E) FA1; JFC- (b) (7)(E) FA2; JFC- (b) (7)(E) FA3; LRT (b) (7)(E) 2; SDC (b) (7)(E) ACTIC ACTIC; BP- (b) (7)(E)

Cc: (b) (7)(F) CBP

Subject: UPDATE (6): S/A-Officer Safety Simultaneous Border Militia Activity/Protest-Arizona & SW POE(s)

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Lukeville	Calexico East	Santa Teresa	Del Rio
Naco	Calexico West		Eagle Pass
Nogales	Otay Mesa		El Paso
San Luis	San Ysidro		Fabens

Sasabe

Tecate

Hidalgo

Laredo

Progreso

Presidio

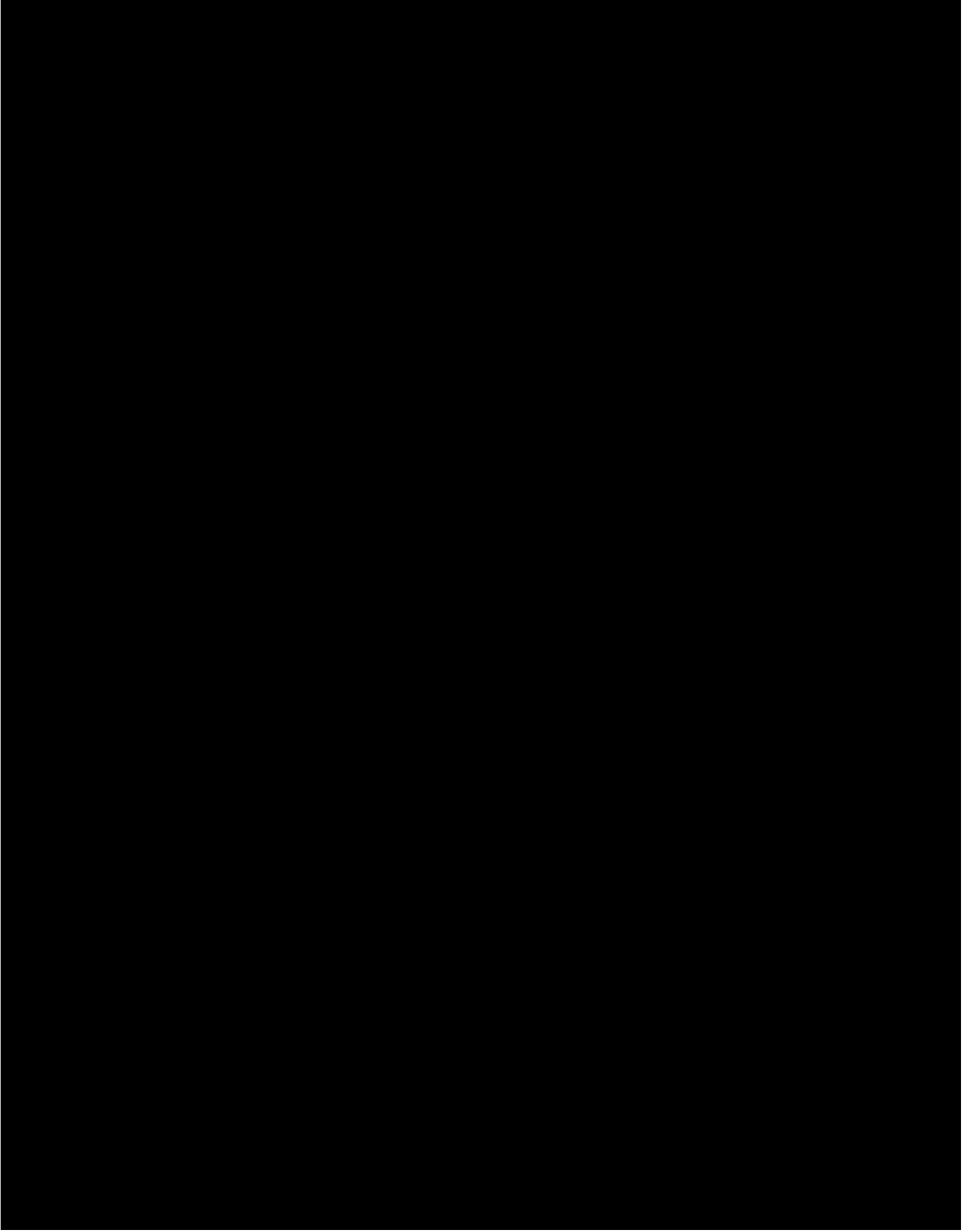
Rio Grande City

Roma

(b) (7) (E)



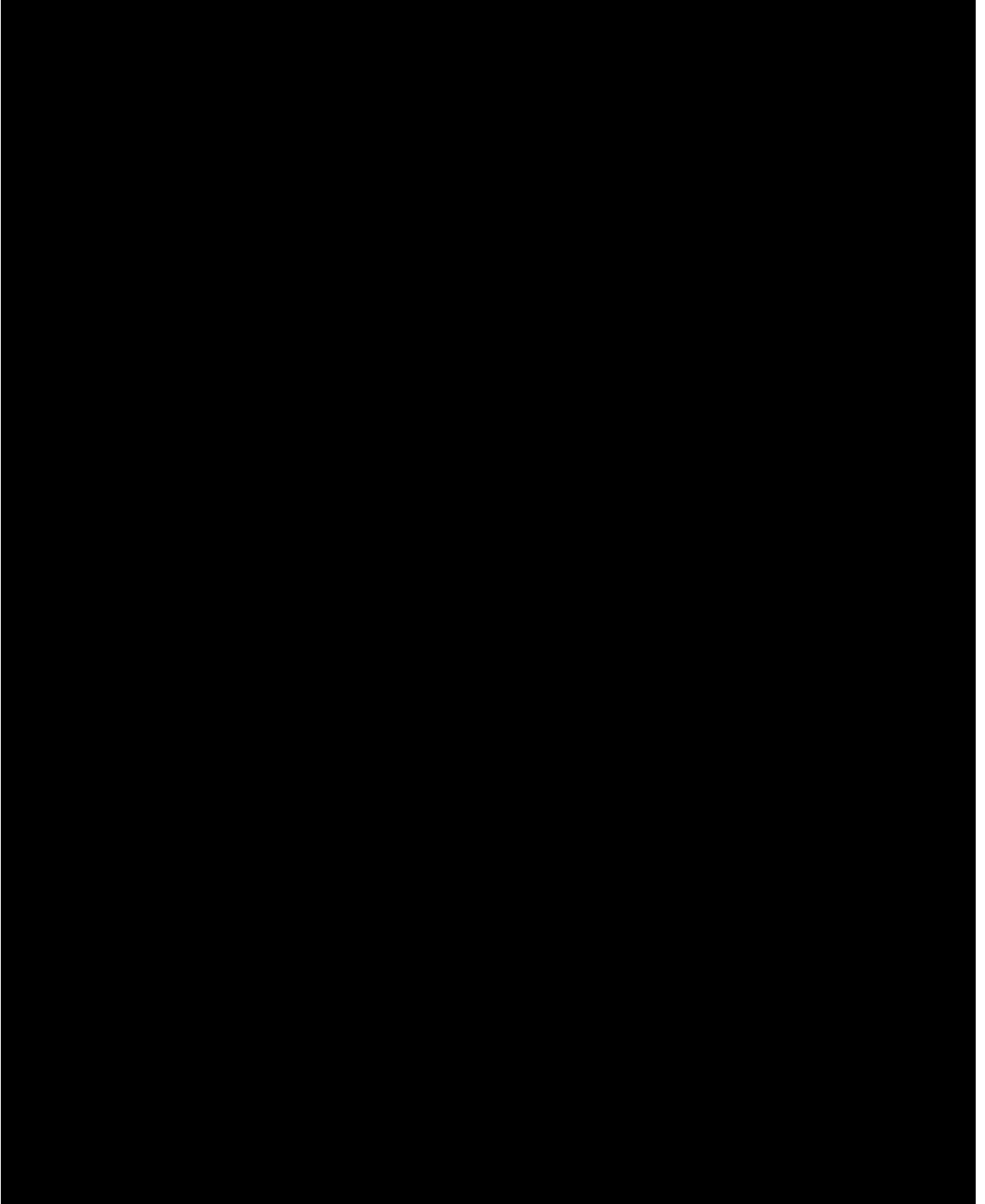
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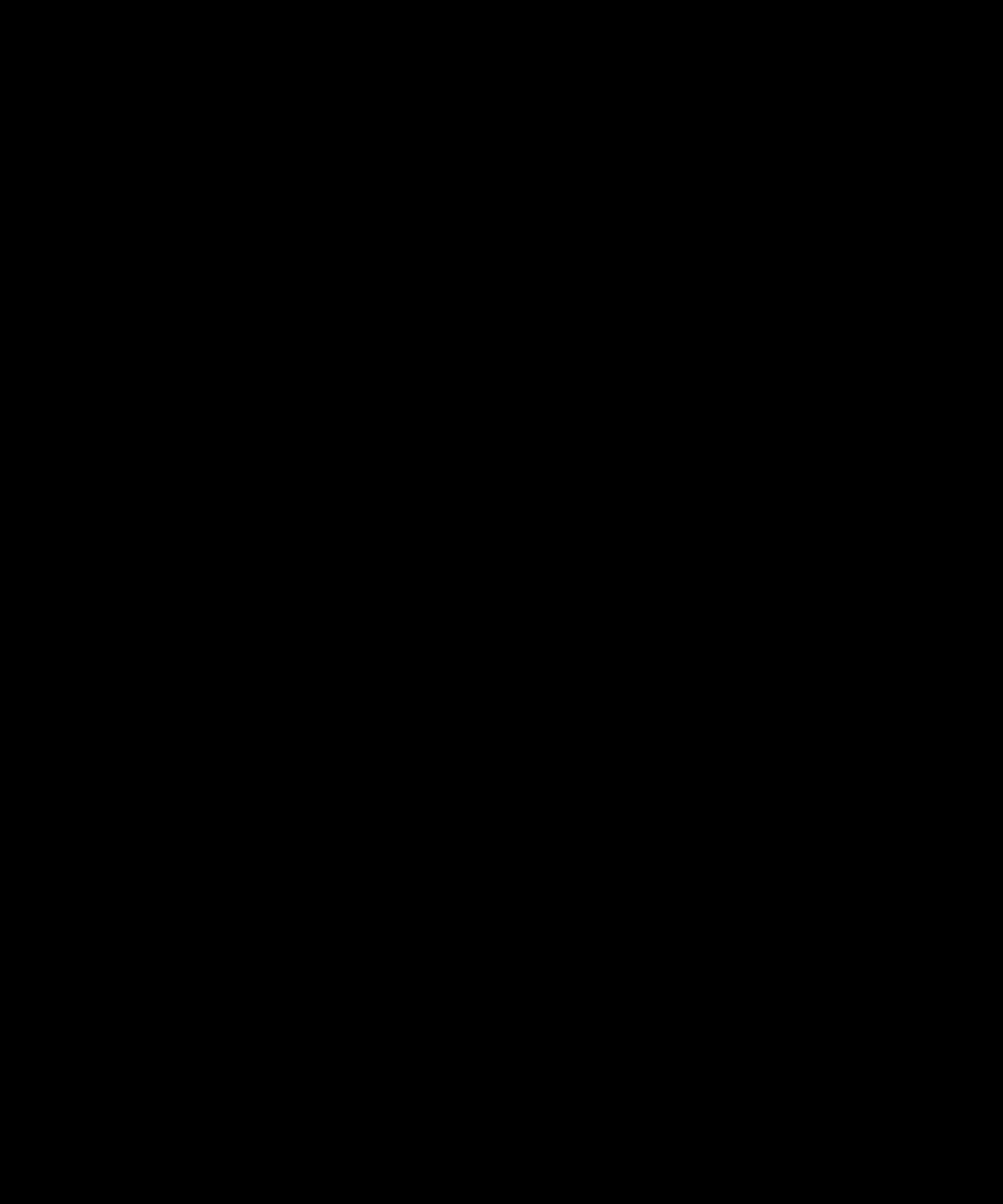
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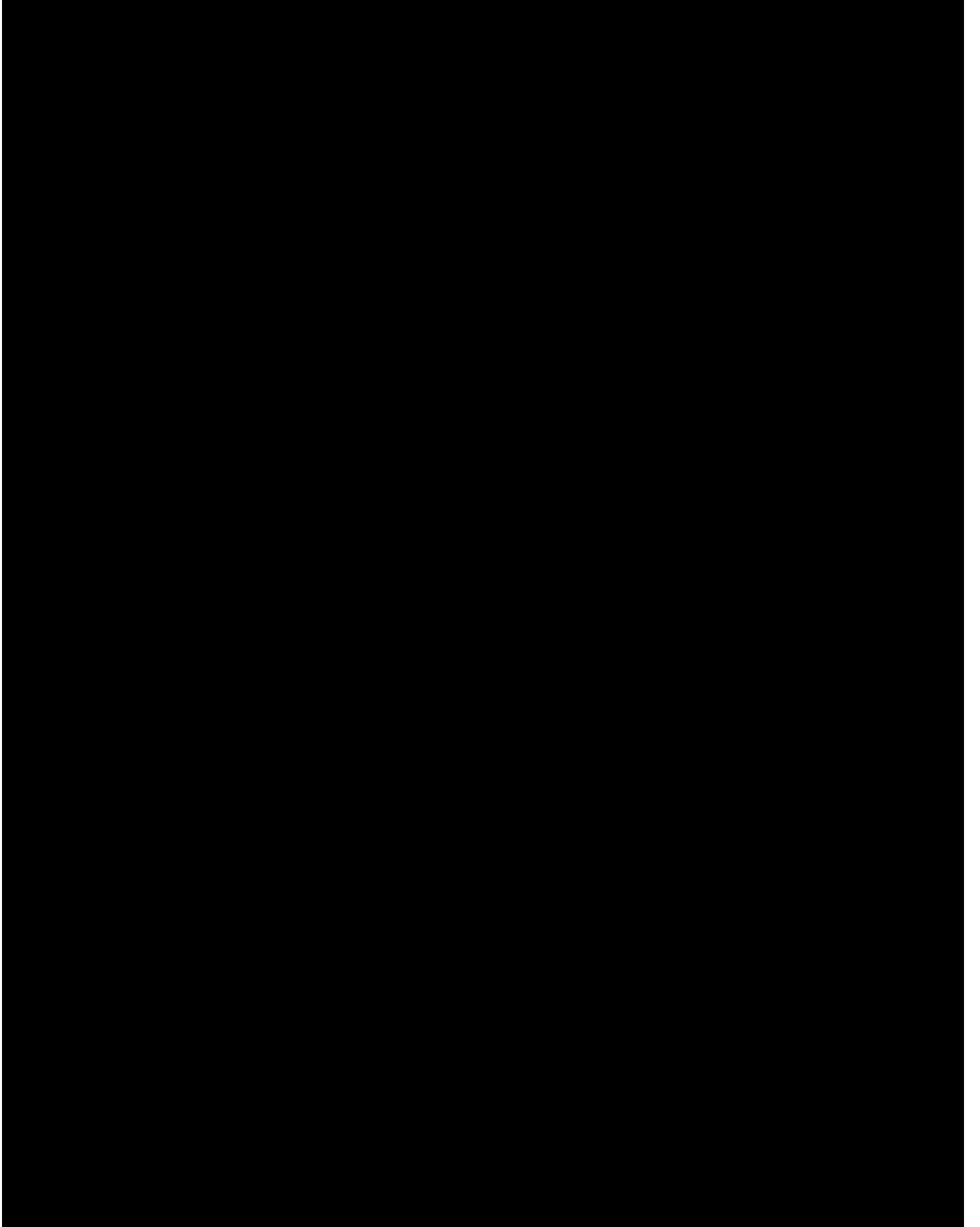
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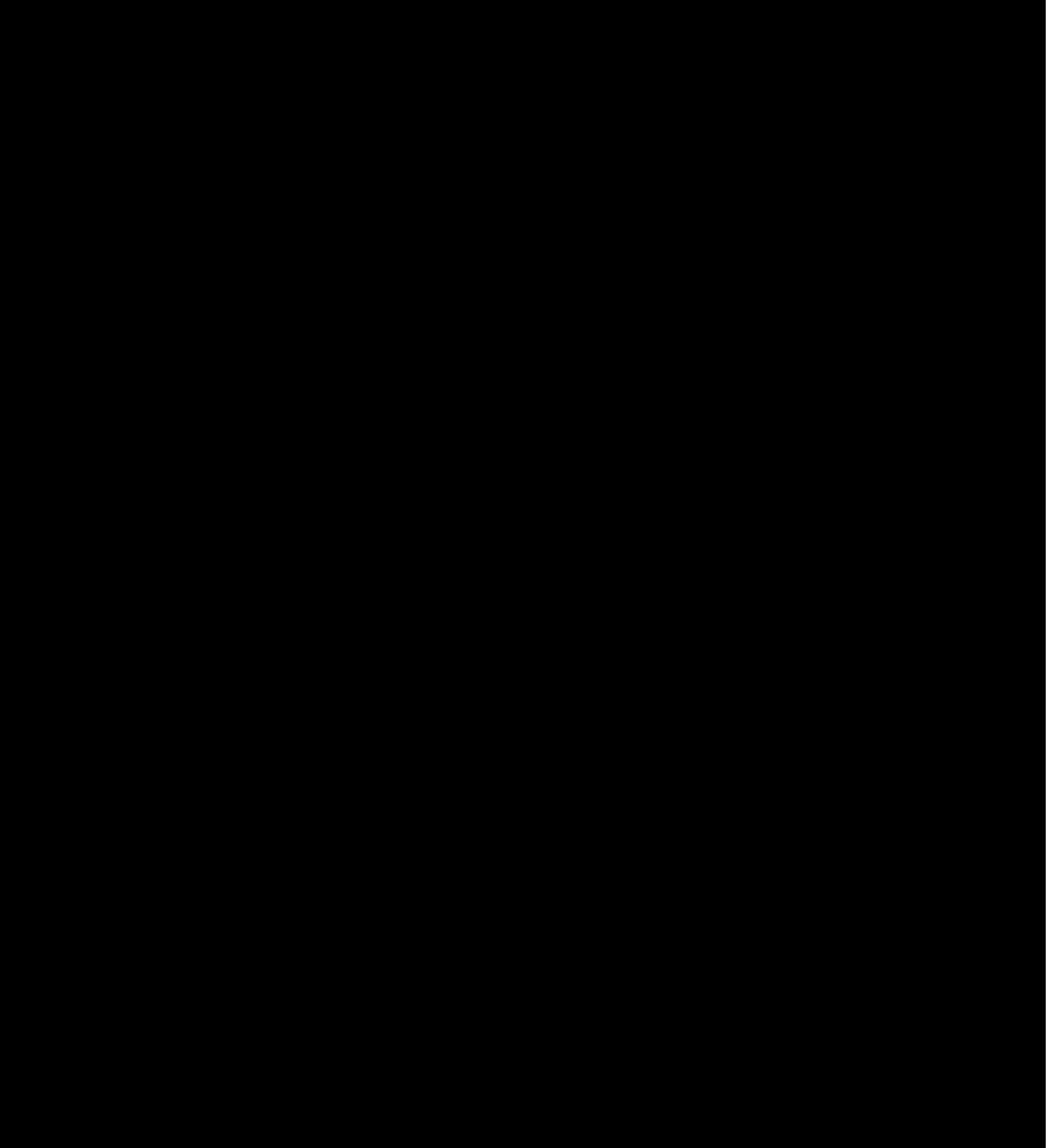
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(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E); [PAIC](#); [RGV OPS](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Preliminary Information: (b) (7)(E) Shooting
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 5:50:17 PM
Importance: High

PRELIMINARY INFORMATION:

Information received from (b) (7)(E) Station (b) (7)(E) management indicated that an on duty agent discharged his firearm about (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) at several armed subjects. Preliminary reports show that the subjects appear to be members of an unidentified militia group. No injuries were reported. As per (b) (7)(E) management, no shots were fired at the Border Patrol Agent.

All notifications and protocols have been initiated.

UPDATES TO FOLLOW

RGV (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: TX Militia members allegedly murder smuggler FBI (b) (6)
Date: Tuesday, September 02, 2014 6:52:31 PM
Attachments: [TX Militia members allegedly murder smuggler \(b\) \(6\), \(b\) \(7\)\(C\).Aug 2014.doc](#)

(b) (7)(E)

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Assistant Chief
Border Patrol Liaison
TBSOC - Austin, TX
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 02, 2014 05:21 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: TX Militia members allegedly murder smuggler (b) (6)

For fed partners

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Senior (b) (7)(E) Officer-Texas Joint Crime Information Center
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
(b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, September 02, 2014 04:54 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: TX Militia members allegedly murder smuggler (b) (7)(E)

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(b) (7)(E)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Senior (b) (7)(E) Analyst
Domestic Terrorism Unit
Homeland Violent Extremism (HVE) Branch

(b) (7)(E)

US Department of Homeland Security

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 2:45 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: DHS OSIR on border activity in AZ--DHS INTERNAL USE ONLY

Thank you for following up on this (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) We'll let you know if we get anything else on this guy...

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2014 5:39 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: DHS OSIR on border activity in AZ--DHS INTERNAL USE ONLY

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Have a good weekend,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) RGV OPS
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDER GROUP
Subject: (b) (7)(E) Issue Paper: Encounter with Militia group 8-28-2014
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 5:59:20 PM
Attachments: (b) (7)(E) Texas Militia Encounter 08-28-2014.docx
Importance: High

ALCON,

Attached and below is an Issue Paper regarding an encounter with members of a Texas Militia group.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

Issue Paper
(b) (7)(E) Texas Militia Encounter

Date of Incident: August 28, 2014

Date of Report: August 29, 2014

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ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

On August 28, 2014, at approximately 8:30 p.m., (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Border Patrol Station (b) (7)(E) management advised that Texas Militia members temporarily detained three undocumented subjects near (b) (7)(E) Texas (b) (7)(E). The three subjects were encountered on the property of (b) (7)(E), whom hired the Texas Militia members.

BACKGROUND:

- At 8:30 p.m., property owner (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised (b) (7)(E) Supervisory Border Patrol Agent (SBPA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) that three suspected undocumented subjects were temporarily detained by members of a militia group who were granted permission to patrol Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property.
- Shortly thereafter, (b) (7)(E) agents patrolling near Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) property were advised to respond to his residence.
- (b) (7)(E) agents arrived at Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) residence and conducted Immigration Inspections on the detained subjects and found them to be illegally present in the United States.
- At approximately 8:40 p.m., the three subjects were taken into Border Patrol custody with their personal property and transported to the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station for processing.
- On August 29, 2014, at approximately 9:00 a.m., (b) (7)(E) Collateral (b) (7)(E) agents

interviewed both subjects regarding their encounter with the militia members.

- The subject, later identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), was interviewed and stated that he believed the militia members to be a part of the U.S. Armed Services because of their camouflage attire.
- The subject stated that he was given verbal commands in an intimidating voice by the militia members to stop and sit down.
- The subject also advised that two militia members had a long rifle pointed towards the group and a pistol was pointed in his direction.
- The subject advised that he was restrained with black plastic tie downs, his cellular telephone and wallet were removed from his pockets and the militia members took photographs of him.
- The subject, later identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), was interviewed and stated that although she could not understand the verbal commands given in English, she understood what was being asked by their hand gestures.
- The subject also stated that the militia members pointed a hand gun in her direction and feared that she could be shot.
- The subject advised that black plastic restraints were placed very tightly around her wrists and was patted down around her waist area and chest.
- The subject advised that she was carried off the ground and placed on a utility vehicle.

DISPOSITION:

- All three subjects were processed accordingly.
- (b) (7)(E) County Sheriff's Office was notified. No case number has been issued.
- The Consulate Offices will be contacted by Assistant Chief Patrol Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

MAP: (b) (7)(E)

From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[OPS EAST/CENTRAL SECTORS](#); [SITROOM](#); [STC AREA MCALLEN GML](#); [STC DIVISION J2](#) (b) (7)(E) [MAL017A-960](#); [GML](#); [LRT](#) 2;
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc:

[RGV OPS](#); [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [PAIC](#); [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [SBPA](#); [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [LBPA](#); [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [ANALYSTS](#)

Subject:

Officer Safety Alert Regarding Possible Threats Against Federal Agents

Date:

Monday, July 28, 2014 5:29:27 PM

Attachments:

[image003.png](#)

Importance:

High

ALCON,

Attached is an officer safety alert regarding a story on militia activity at the border. One particular subject has been posting threats directly against federal agents.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

FYSA all,

For Officer Safety. This was passed to me by a contact within DPS.

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Assistant Chief / Border Patrol Liaison

Texas Border Security Operations Center – Austin, TX

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[Redacted signature block]

(b) (7)(E)

This was (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) profile photo at the time:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

Facebook thread from May:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E), (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)



Top of Form

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)



(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)



(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)



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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: [UPDATE] TX Militia members allegedly murder smuggler (b) (7)(E) IIR

Date: Wednesday, September 03, 2014 4:31:07 PM

Good afternoon everyone,

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

Thank you for your patience while I chased this to ground. I am of course available should there be any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Assistant Chief / Border Patrol Liaison

Texas Border Security Operations Center – Austin, TX

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All,

(b) (7)(E)

but still wanted to pass on for situational awareness. Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

(b) (7)(E) DAR 08-23-2014

Date:

Sunday, August 24, 2014 6:15:07 AM

Attachments:

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

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(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

Very Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Border Patrol Agent (Marine)

Data Integrity Team

(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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“Semper Fortis” –Navy Motto

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: RE: Armed Group Encounters
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:15:05 PM

Thanks (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Associate Chief, Operations
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Saturday, August 30, 2014 12:11:43 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV OPS
Subject: FW: Armed Group Encounters

ALCON, Attached is a summary of militias encounters in RGV, this one needs to be update with the latest # encounters...

Briefing Paper
2014 Fiscal Year-to-date
Non-Law Enforcement Personnel Encounters

Issue / Briefing Topic:

The Rio Grande Valley Sector (RGV) has experienced several encounters of non-law enforcement groups. This briefing paper is intended to provide a general overview of such events for fiscal year to date 2014.

Total encounters: 9

(b) (7)(E)

Groups Identified:

Texas Militia – www.texasmilitia.info
Texas Republic Militia – www.texasrepublicmilitia.com

Texas Minutemen – www.txminuteman.org

Special Tactics and Response (private security group) – Web site was not found

Background:

April 30, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) Riverine Units working the river area south of (b) (7)(E) heard voices and brush breaking near the river. Agents searched the area and encountered eight subjects dressed in camouflage walking with dogs. During questioning, subjects claimed to be “Minutemen” just walking the area. No weapons were observed and the encounter ended without incident. (b) (7)(E) agents observed no violations being committed by the subjects, so they returned to their vessels without further incident. The subjects continued walking through the park. It was undetermined if this group was in fact associated with the Texas Minutemen organization or any other similar group.

May 16, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) Boat Patrol Unit responded to (b) (7)(E) near the river drag. Agents advised that the (b) (7)(E) by “Minutemen” in the area. Agents advised that a total of 10 “minutemen” (three males and seven females), all wearing camouflage, were walking along the river drag in (b) (7)(E). The “minutemen” advised that they would be in the area and would report any illicit activity to the Border Patrol station. It was undetermined if this group was in fact associated with the Texas Minutemen Organization or any other similar group.

July 15, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Officers from the (b) (7)(E) Texas Police Department (PD) encountered six armed “Minutemen” who were observed setting up a camp underneath the (b) (7)(E), Texas Port-of-Entry. The subjects were reported to be carrying long arms. The subjects claimed to have the permission from the land owner to operate in the area. The subjects were observed driving a red pickup truck with a utility trailer. The subjects were advised by PD to report all illegal activity to the U.S. Border Patrol or the (b) (7)(E) Police Department. It was undetermined if this group was in fact associated with the Texas Minutemen Organization or any other similar group.

July 29, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Agents working in the (b) (6); (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) area near (b) (7)(E) TX, encountered three armed suspected “Minutemen” patrolling the river road area on foot. The subjects stated they were given permission to be on the property by Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and planned to patrol Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farmland area for an undetermined amount of time. (b) (7)(E) Border Community Liaison arranged a meeting with the subjects who advised they were contracted by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to provide security on his property due to the escalating border violence. Information indicated that the individuals are in possession of several weapons including a .50 caliber sniper rifle with armor piercing rounds, AR-15 style rifles, a .308 caliber rifle, pistols, and bullet proof vests with Small Arms Protective Insert (SAPI) plates. The subjects did not claim to be affiliated or associated to the “Minutemen” organization. The group was identified as Special Tactics and Response private security group.

August 2, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Agents working at the (b) (7)(E), were approached by four males. They told the agents that they would be working in the area and identified themselves as members of the Texas Republic Militia. They also stated they were meeting up with other members of their group in (b) (7)(E), Texas. The subjects were in a silver Chevrolet Silverado (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). The subjects had 4 long arms and 4 handguns with them. The subjects were observed driving towards the (b) (7)(E) POE.

August 3, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

An agent assigned to (b) (7)(E) near (b) (7)(E), Texas was approached by several armed non-law enforcement personnel who identified themselves as members of the Texas Militia. Members of the Texas Militia advised the agent that they were about to begin their tour for the night. The subjects were seen travelling in two separate vehicles. The agent reported approximately 12 subjects in each vehicle.

August 3, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near (b) (7)(E) Texas advised that they had been approached by a group of non-law enforcement personnel who asked if they could provide assistance to the agents. The subjects

identified themselves as members of the Texas Militia who had recently arrived to the area from Houston, Texas. Agents advised that there were approximately 10 subjects in a vehicle and the occupants were armed with long arms and dressed in camouflaged garments.

August 6, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near (b) (7)(E) Texas responded to assist a DPS Trooper near the (b) (7)(E) area. Several armed subjects dressed in fatigues that were thought to be part of a DPS tactical team arrived to assist. It was later discovered that the seven subjects dressed in fatigues were members of the Texas Militia. All subjects were identified and advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency.

August 7, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near the (b) (7)(E) POE encountered a group of four non-law enforcement personnel. The group was carrying long arms and handguns. The group claimed to be an independent group of concerned citizens and stated that they were not affiliated with the Texas Militia. The group was given permission to be in the area by the land owner, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). The group also advised that they were expecting approximately 30-40 more members to join them.

Other Known Non-Law Enforcement Groups:

- Texas Border Volunteers www.texasbordervolunteers.org – Known to work in the (b) (7)(E) AOR and granted permission to operate on private land by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and other local land owners.
- Border Brotherhood of Texas www.facebook.com/chiefwalden – A volunteer organization comprised of law-enforcement officers who volunteer their own time to conduct enforcement actions within (b) (7)(E) County (b) (7)(E) AOR).

Path Forward:

The RGV (b) (7)(E) will continue to monitor these encounters and provide updates when available. (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) If encounters with non-law enforcement groups should be reported to the RGV OPCEN. The following collection of information is suggested:

- Proper group identification
- Location of the encounter (b) (7)(E)
- Whether or not the group was armed
- Vehicle descriptions
- Where the group is operating (private or public land)
- Timeframe of their operation (if known)

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2014 3:11 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS

Subject: FW: Armed Group Encounters

Sir,

See attached IP regarding Non-Law Enforcement Personnel & Organization encounters. Please advise should any changes be required.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Special Operations Supervisor

RGV Sector - (b) (7)(E)

Edinburg, TX 78542

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

(b) (7)(E) Weekend Activity Report for 08-22 to 08-24-2014

Date:

Monday, August 25, 2014 7:09:26 AM

Attachments:

(b) (7)(E)

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(b) (7)(E)

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Very Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Border Patrol Agent (Marine)

Data Integrity Team

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV-SOD-ADMIN
Subject: FW: Militia Groups in RGV AOR
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 12:43:48 PM

SOD Personnel,

Please see below message. Some of the local news stations have covered this story as well. You may find more information on the news channels' websites. RGV Sector will put out more information as it comes in.

Local law enforcement agencies in the area have augmented this group with supplies and gear. I have attached their website here: <http://texasborderrescue.org/>.

Please have situational awareness that this group conducts scheduled search & rescue missions and scouting missions in the RGV AOR. Get with your supervisor if you have any questions.

V/R,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV SOD

----- Original Message -----

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 11:29 AM Eastern Standard Time
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

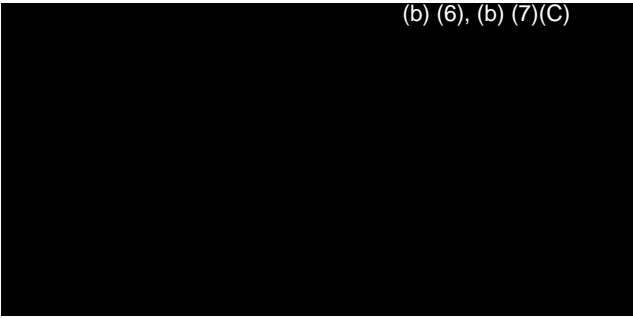
RGV OPS
Subject: Militia Groups in RGV AOR

All,

FYSA - RGV has received information from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Border Rescue Team - a volunteer group working with (b) (7)(E) County) that a militia-type group (similar to the Minutemen in TCA) is possibly planning to deploy in (b) (7)(E) County. No other information is currently available, but updates will follow as received.

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: (b) (7)(E) Notification - Subjects of Interest Encountered Near the Border
Date: Wednesday, July 23, 2014 11:19:42 AM
Importance: High

ALCON,

Please notify the RGV (b) (7)(E) of all related militia, minutemen encounters. This notification is not limited to any specific groups but any situations where possible armed subjects may be encountered near the border. This notification will assist the (b) (7)(E) in preparing and disseminating situational awareness bulletins to stakeholders.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Militia Groups
Date: Wednesday, August 06, 2014 8:14:30 AM

FYSA – Another militia group possibly in the (b) (7)(E) area through Friday

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2014 10:21 PM
To: RGV OPS
Subject: Fw: Militia Groups

FYSA: Channel 4 link below indicates more militia groups arriving in the AOR.

This group "Patriots Information Hotline" are slated to arrive tomorrow and remain in RGV until Friday. No meeting/target location discussed but the piece says they maintain a website which may provide additional info (TBD).

Recent Inter-agency relevance:

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2014 10:12 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent from my mobile.

<http://www.valleycentral.com/m/news/story?id=1079664>

From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

Militia Groups in RGV AOR

Date:

Friday, June 06, 2014 11:29:41 AM

; [RGV OPS](#)

All,

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Recall that two incidents involving minuteman have already occurred in the (b) (7)(E) AOR (b) (7)(E)) approximately 2 weeks ago. Please ensure that your personnel are aware and understand how to properly address an encounter with these groups.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)
To: RGV OPS: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]
Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS
Subject: (b) (7)(E) Issue Paper: Texas Militia Encounter
Date: Thursday, August 07, 2014 6:00:19 PM
Attachments: (b) (7)(E) Texas Militia Encounter.docx
Importance: High

Alcon,

Attached and below is an Issue Paper regarding the encounter of Texas Militia members by agents assigned to the (b) (7)(E) Texas Border Patrol Station.

The standard 4th quarter RGV (b) (7)(E) password will open the attachment.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

Issue Paper
(b) (7)(E) Texas Militia Encounter

Date of Incident: August 6, 2014

Date of Report: August 7, 2014

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ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:

On August 6, 2014, at approximately 11:00 p.m., agents assigned to the (b) (7)(E), Texas Border Patrol Station (b) (7)(E) working near (b) (7)(E) Texas (b) (7)(E) encountered 7 Texas Militia members.

BACKGROUND:

- At 11:00 p.m., (b) (7)(E) agents encountered several undocumented aliens (UDAs) attempting to hide in and around the (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E) Texas.
- A Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper (DPS) arrived on scene to assist (b) (7)(E) agents. Immediately after, a group of subjects, thought to be part of a DPS tactical team dressed in fatigues also arrived.
- (b) (7)(E) agents went into the canal and apprehended several UDAs.

- The subjects dressed in fatigues also entered the canal and escorted several UDAs out of the canal.
- A total of eight UDAs were apprehended and transported to (b) (7)(E) for processing.
- (b) (7)(E) agents discovered that the armed subjects in fatigues were in fact Texas Militia members.

DISPOSITION:

- The subjects were provided with the (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol station's contact information and were advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency.
- The subjects stated that they are in the area helping with the "border crisis" and that they are supportive of Border Patrol and Law Enforcement.

NOTIFICATIONS:

RGV PAO

TEXAS MILITIA MEMBERS IDENTIFIED:

Name: **DOB:** **TX DL**

VEHICLE INFORMATION:

(See attached)

Vehicle 1

(See attached)

Vehicle 2

(See attached)

FIR:

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); [RGV OPS](#)
Subject: FW: Armed Group Encounters
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:11:45 PM
Attachments: [FYTD Encounter Briefing.docx](#)

ALCON, Attached is a summary of militias encounters in RGV, this one needs to be update with the latest # encounters...

Briefing Paper
2014 Fiscal Year-to-date
Non-Law Enforcement Personnel Encounters

Issue / Briefing Topic:

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The Rio Grande Valley Sector (RGV) has experienced several encounters of non-law enforcement groups. This briefing paper is intended to provide a general overview of such events for fiscal year to date 2014.

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Total encounters: 9

(b) (7)(E)

Groups Identified:

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Texas Militia – www.texasmilitia.info
Texas Republic Militia – www.texasrepublicmilitia.com
Texas Minutemen – www.txminuteman.org
Special Tactics and Response (private security group) – Web site was not found

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Background:

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April 30, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Riverine Units working the river area south of (b) (7)(E) heard voices and brush breaking near the river. Agents searched the area and encountered eight subjects dressed in camouflage walking with dogs. During questioning, subjects claimed to be “Minutemen” just walking the area. No weapons were observed and the encounter ended without incident. (b) (7)(E) agents observed no violations being committed by the subjects, so they returned to their vessels without further incident. The subjects continued walking through the park. It was undetermined if this group was in fact associated with the Texas Minutemen organization or any other similar group.

May 16, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Boat Patrol Unit responded to (b) (7)(E) near the river drag. Agents advised that the (b) (7)(E) “Minutemen” in the area. Agents advised that a total of 10

“minutemen” (three males and seven females), all wearing camouflage, were walking along the river drag in (b) (7)(E). The “minutemen” advised that they would be in the area and would report any illicit activity to the Border Patrol station. It was undetermined if this group was in fact associated with the Texas Minutemen Organization or any other similar group.

July 15, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Officers from the (b) (7)(E), Texas Police Department (PD) encountered six armed “Minutemen” who were observed setting up a camp underneath the (b) (7)(E) Texas Port-of-Entry. The subjects were reported to be carrying long arms. The subjects claimed to have the permission from the land owner to operate in the area. The subjects were observed driving a red pickup truck with a utility trailer. The subjects were advised by PD to report all illegal activity to the U.S. Border Patrol or the (b) (7)(E) Police Department. It was undetermined if this group was in fact associated with the Texas Minutemen Organization or any other similar group.

July 29, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Agents working in the (b) (6); (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) area near (b) (7)(E), TX, encountered three armed suspected “Minutemen” patrolling the river road area on foot. The subjects stated they were given permission to be on the property by Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and planned to patrol Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) farmland area for an undetermined amount of time. (b) (7)(E) Border Community Liaison arranged a meeting with the subjects who advised they were contracted by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to provide security on his property due to the escalating border violence. Information indicated that the individuals are in possession of several weapons including a .50 caliber sniper rifle with armor piercing rounds, AR-15 style rifles, a .308 caliber rifle, pistols, and bullet proof vests with Small Arms Protective Insert (SAPI) plates. The subjects did not claim to be affiliated or associated to the “Minutemen” organization. The group was identified as Special Tactics and Response private security group.

August 2, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Agents working at the (b) (7)(E), were approached by four males. They told the agents that they would be working in the area and identified themselves as members of the Texas Republic Militia. They also stated they were meeting up with other members of their group in (b) (7)(E), Texas. The subjects were in a silver Chevrolet Silverado (TX (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)). The subjects had 4 long arms and 4 handguns with them. The subjects were observed driving towards the (b) (7)(E) POE.

August 3, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

An agent assigned to (b) (7)(E) near (b) (7)(E), Texas was approached by several armed non-law enforcement personnel who identified themselves as members of the Texas Militia. Members of the Texas Militia advised the agent that they were about to begin their tour for the night. The subjects were seen travelling in two separate vehicles. The agent reported approximately 12 subjects in each vehicle.

August 3, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near (b) (7)(E), Texas advised that they had been approached by a group of non-law enforcement personnel who asked if they could provide assistance to the agents. The subjects identified themselves as members of the Texas Militia who had recently arrived to the area from Houston, Texas. Agents advised that there were approximately 10 subjects in a vehicle and the occupants were armed with long arms and dressed in camouflaged garments.

August 6, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near (b) (7)(E), Texas responded to assist a DPS Trooper near the (b) (7)(E) area. Several armed subjects dressed in fatigues that were thought to be part of a DPS tactical team arrived to assist. It was later discovered that the seven subjects dressed in fatigues were members of the Texas Militia. All subjects were identified and advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency.

August 7, 2014, (b) (7)(E) – (b) (7)(E)

Agents working near the (b) (7)(E) POE encountered a group of four non-law enforcement personnel. The group was carrying long arms and handguns. The group claimed to be an independent group of concerned citizens and stated that they were not affiliated with the Texas

Militia. The group was given permission to be in the area by the land owner, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). The group also advised that they were expecting approximately 30-40 more members to join them.

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Other Known Non-Law Enforcement Groups:

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- Texas Border Volunteers www.texasbordervolunteers.org – Known to work in the (b) (7)(E) AOR and granted permission to operate on private land by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and other local land owners.
 - Border Brotherhood of Texas www.facebook.com/chiefwalden – A volunteer organization comprised of law-enforcement officers who volunteer their own time to conduct enforcement actions within (b) (7)(E) County (b) (7)(E) AOR).

Path Forward:

The RGV (b) (7)(E) will continue to monitor these encounters and provide updates when available. (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) All encounters with non-law enforcement groups should be reported to the RGV (b) (7)(E). The following collection of information is suggested:

- Proper group identification
- Location of the encounter (b) (7)(E)
- Whether or not the group was armed
- Vehicle descriptions
- Where the group is operating (private or public land)
- Timeframe of their operation (if known)

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2014 3:11 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV OPS

Subject: FW: Armed Group Encounters

Sir,

See attached IP regarding Non-Law Enforcement Personnel & Organization encounters. Please advise should any changes be required.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Special Operations Supervisor

RGV Sector - (b) (7)(E)

Edinburg, TX 78542

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: 15 cases at point
Date: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 3:51:40 PM

Heads up (see (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) message below). That pressure you feel is a small bus rolling over you...

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 1:02 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: 15 cases at point

Ten4, This one needs to be very adjustable. The hot seat that I was under was why didn't (b) (7)(E)

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 10:52 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: 15 cases at point

Sir, all (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) sent was your message below and didn't communicate clearly with (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) what it is you were looking for. Nonetheless, here is what we assessed this morning regarding some of the (b) (7)(E) traffic over the weekend;

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 10:15 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Re: 15 cases at point

(b) (7)(E) I'm still waiting for the answers to the questions that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) sent you regarding (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) over the weekend....

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief-Operations

Rio Grande Valley Sector

"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2014 08:17 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fw: 15 cases at point

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief-Operations

Rio Grande Valley Sector

"Leading the Charge"

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, August 25, 2014 08:10 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: 15 cases at point

Ten4,

Here is the case by case from this mornings weekend wrap

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



- On August 23, 2014, a Civilian Militia group, identifying themselves as the

“Texas Defense Network,” contacted ^{(b) (7)(E)} TOC to advise that they would be patrolling just west of the intersection of ^{(b) (7)(E)} Road.

- The Militia were advised that they were not permitted to drive on the Levee nor interfere or participate with Border Patrol Agents engaged in enforcement activities.

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: [RGV](#) [PAIC](#)

Subject: Reminder on Militia Reporting

Date: Friday, September 05, 2014 3:21:11 PM

Attachments: [Page 1 of 1.jpg](#)

Reminder on Militia Encounters and Reporting

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Division Chief-Operations

Rio Grande Valley Sector

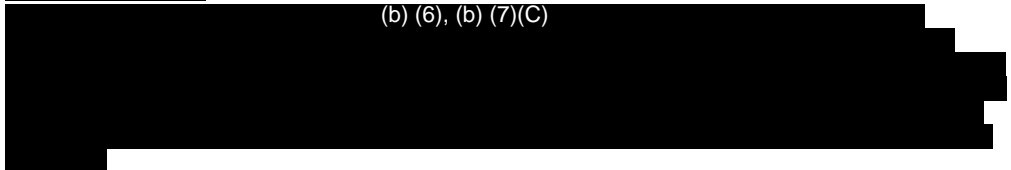
"Leading the Charge"

From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



Subject:


(b) (7)(E) DAR 09-06-2014

Date:

Sunday, September 07, 2014 6:25:41 AM

Attachments:

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

ESRs: 1

ESR generated for a civilian militia encounter in (b) (7)(E) Texas. On September 6, 2014 at approximately 2200, (b) (7)(E) Station called to report that their Agent assigned to (b) (7)(E), at (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) reported that he was approached by several individuals in a white van identifying themselves as militia members. The Agent stated that the individuals were in a white Dodge Van. The Agent further stated that the vehicle had six or seven people on board. At least five of them were militia members and two of them appeared to be possible media entities. One individual had a large camera resembling a news media camera and was filming. The Agent reported that he was filmed by this individual. He also noted that they asked him no questions, other than, "How are you doing"? Additionally, the individuals stated that they would be in the area. No other information was available. ESR closed.

Vehicle Info:

Dodge Caravan (newer model, white)

TX License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)

Very Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Border Patrol Agent (Marine)

Data Integrity Team

(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

“Hunt the wolf! And bring the light to the dark places where others fear to go!” --LtCOL
Dave Grossman

“Semper Fortis” –Navy Motto

From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[PAIC-DPAIC-SOS](#); [SBPA](#); [WATCH COMMANDERS](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [ASID](#); [DIT](#);
; [RGV](#) (b) (7)(C) [PAIC](#); [RGV OPS](#); [RGV-IPT](#); [RGV-SOD-COMMANDERS](#); [RGV-STC](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

Weekend Activity Report for 09-05 to 09-07-2014

Date:

Monday, September 08, 2014 6:50:39 AM

Attachments:

(b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

09/06/2014:

ESR generated for a civilian militia encounter in (b) (7)(E), Texas. On September 6, 2014 at approximately 2200, (b) (7)(E) Station called to report that their Agent assigned to (b) (7)(E), at (b) (7)(E), reported that he was approached by several individuals in a white van identifying themselves as militia members. The Agent stated that the individuals were in a white Dodge Van. The Agent further stated that the vehicle had six or seven people on board. At least five of them were militia members and two of them appeared to be possible media entities. One individual had a large camera resembling a news media camera and was filming. The Agent reported that he was filmed by this individual. He also noted that they asked him no questions, other than, "How are you doing"? Additionally, the individuals stated that they would be in the area. No other information was available. ESR closed.

VEHICLE INFORMATION:

Dodge Caravan

Texas License Plates: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (7)(E)



(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (7)(E), Texas

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (7)(E)(b) (7)(E) UNIT (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SQS; (b) (7)(E) WATCH COMMANDERS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FIR-Texas Militia Group encountered in (b) (7)(E) Texas
Date: Thursday, August 07, 2014 4:58:19 PM
Attachments: (b) (7)(E) .mht.mht

ALCON,

Attached and below is the FIR generated for the encounter of the Texas Militia group encountered by (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas.

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FIELD INFORMATION REPORT (FIR):

(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Agents encounter members of the Texas Militia Group by (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas

(b) (7)(E)

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION (CBP)

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION (CBP)
Field Information Report**

Status: SUBMITTED

Title: (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Agents encounter members of the Texas Militia Group by (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E) Texas

FIR Number: (b) (7)(E)

Restricted: No

Archive Date: 08/07/2015

Query Notification: 0 - NO NOTIFICATION

Category: 40 - (b) (7)(E)

Reliability: 1 - HIGHLY RELIABLE

Evaluation: 1 - VERIFIED

Source Type: 0 - UNKNOWN/OTHER

Description: DPS Trooper

GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES

Location Name: (b) (7)(E), Texas
(b) (7)(E)

[Launch Universal Location Point Selector Window](#)

Synopsis:

On August 6, 2014, (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol agents apprehended 8 UDA's near (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas. BP was assisted by Department of Public Safety and several armed subjects dressed in fatigues, later discovered that these subjects were members of a Texas Militia Group.

Narrative:

On August 6, 2014, at approximately 2200 hours, Border Patrol agents responded to alien traffic near (b) (7)(E) south of (b) (7)(E), Texas. Agents found eight UDA's hiding in the brush along the edge of the canal; agents were assisted by Department of Public Safety (DPS) and several armed subjects (7) dressed in fatigues. At the time of the encounter, agents believed that the subjects dressed in fatigues were part of the DPS tactical unit, it was later discovered that these subjects were members of the Texas Militia Group.

DPS Trooper (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) identified all seven subjects and advised them to properly identify themselves during any future encounters with law enforcement agencies.

All subjects were identified and are listed below.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Vehicles:

Vehicle #1:

White 2014 Subaru Outback

Texas LPs- (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Owner: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Year: 2014

VIN: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Registration State: TX

Address:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

The vehicle has multiple crossings through Progreso, Texas Port of Entry.

Vehicle #2

2014 Blue Toyota Tundra

Owner: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Year: 2014

Make/Model: TOYOTA TUNDRA

VIN: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Texas License Plate: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Address:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

<http://patriotsinformationhotline.com/>

(b) (7)(E)

SUBJECTS:

INDIVIDUALS (7)

1. Individual (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Immigration Status: Unknown

Gender: Male **Marital Status:**

Eye Color: BLUE **Hair Color:** BROWN

Race: WHITE **Height:** 6ft 1in

Weight: 200 (lbs)

(b) (7)(E)

Last Response: (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

Status: (b) (7)(E), OTHER

Query Notification: 0 - NO NOTIFICATION

Lookout Level: 0

Primary Action: 0 - NOT ON PRIMARY

Subject: OTHER

Start Date:

Entry Date: 08/07/2014

Stop Date:

Initial Remarks: Subject is a member of a militia group.

Officer: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Date of Birth: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Citizenship: UNKNOWN

Misc Record Number: (b) (7)(E)

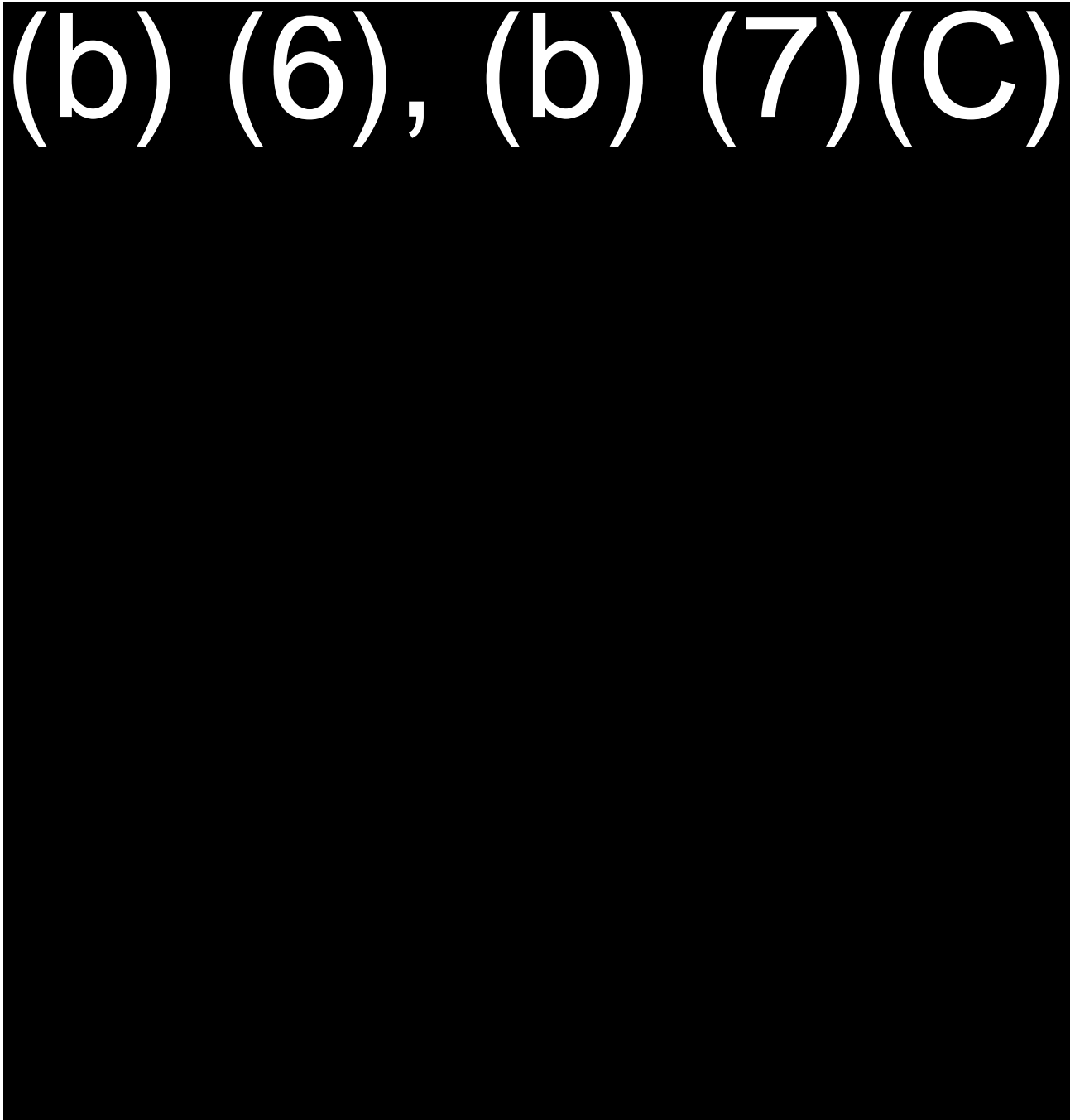
DRIVER'S LICENSE

EDL: No

Driver's License: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

ATTACHMENTS:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



2. Individual

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Immigration Status: Unknown

Gender: Male

Marital Status:

Eye Color: HAZEL **Hair Color:** BROWN

Race: WHITE

Height: 5ft 9in

Weight: 145 (lbs)

(b) (7)(E)

Last Response: (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

Status: (b) (7)(E) OTHER

Query Notification: 0 - NO NOTIFICATION

Lookout Level: 0

Primary Action: 0 - NOT ON PRIMARY

Subject: OTHER

Start Date:

Stop Date:

Entry Date: 08/07/2014

Initial Remarks: Subject is a member of a militia group.

Officer: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Date of Birth: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Citizenship: UNKNOWN

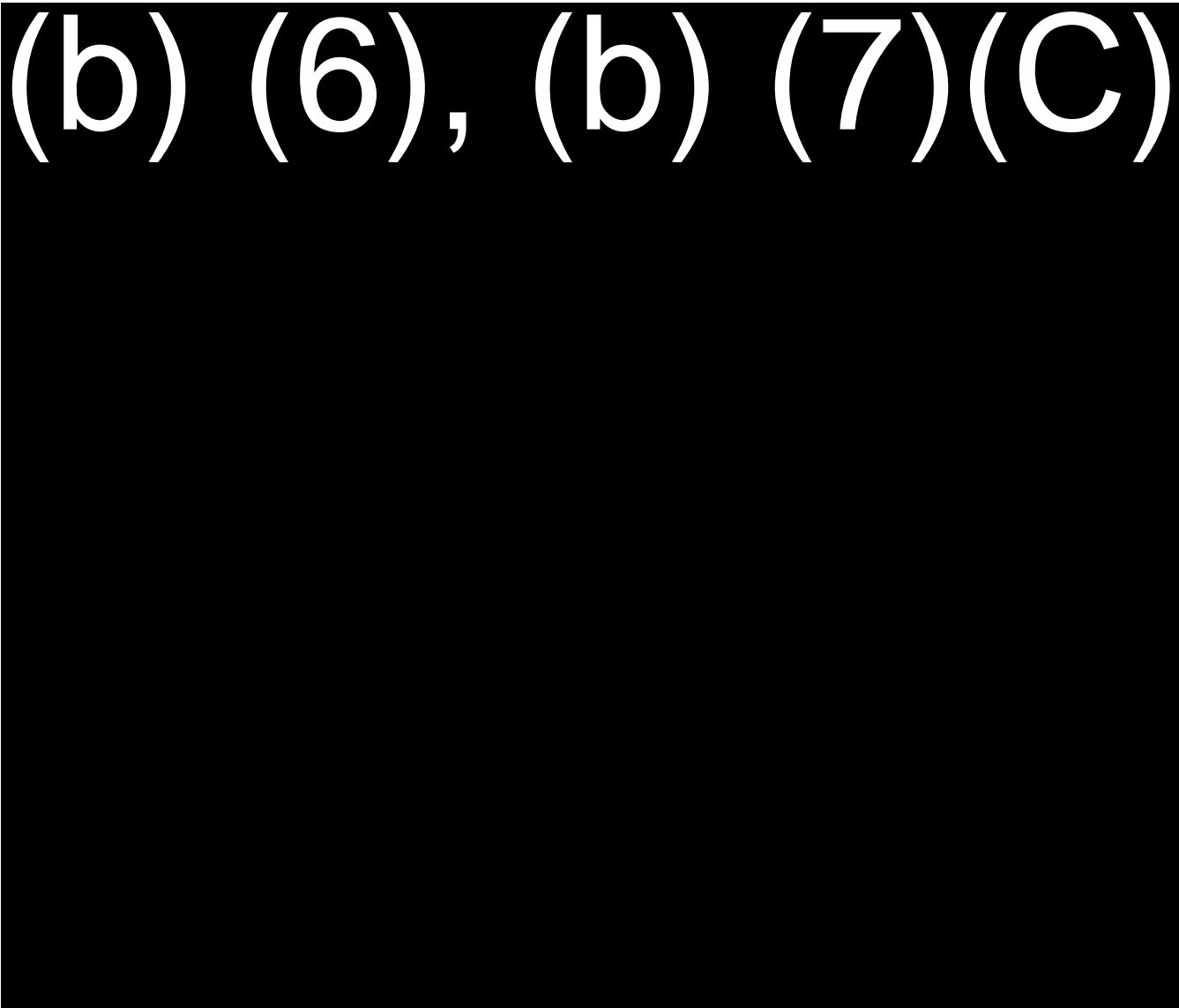
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DRIVER'S LICENSE

EDL: No

Driver's License: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

ATTACHMENTS:



(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Type: Photograph
Agency: OBP FIELD
Title: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Article Title: Photo

3. Individual (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Immigration Status: Unknown
Gender: Male Marital Status:
Eye Color: BROWN Hair Color: GRAY
Race: Height: 5ft 5in
Weight: 175 (lbs)

(b) (7)(E)
Last Response: (b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E)
Status: (b) (7)(E), OTHER
Query Notification: 0 - NO NOTIFICATION
Lookout Level: 0
Primary Action: 0 - NOT ON PRIMARY
Subject: OTHER
Start Date: Stop Date:

Entry Date: 08/07/2014

Initial Remarks: Subject is a member of a militia group.

Officer: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Date of Birth: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Citizenship: UNKNOWN

Misc Record Number: (b) (7)(E)

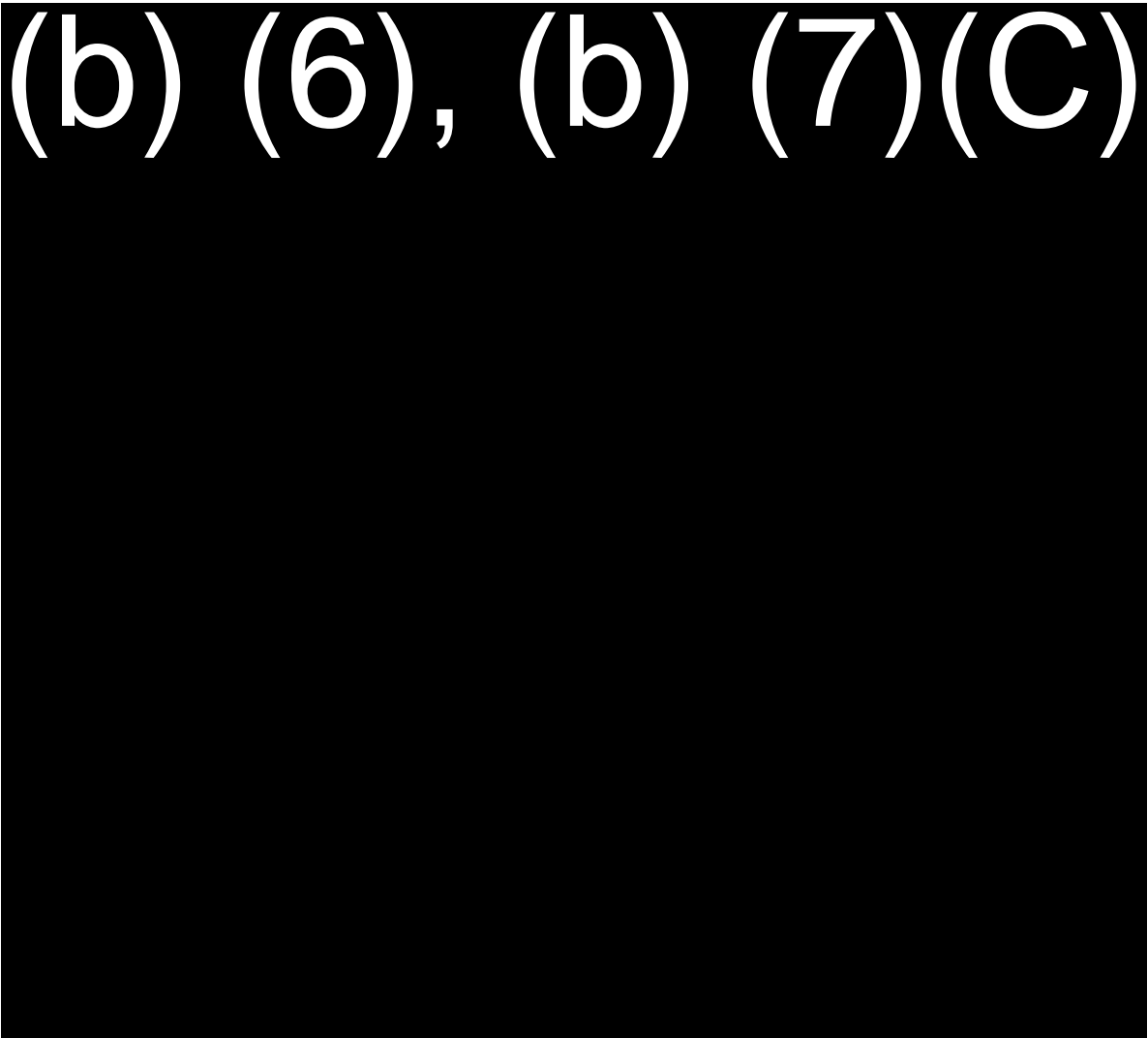
DRIVER'S LICENSE

EDL: No

Driver's License: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

ATTACHMENTS:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



Agency: OBP FIELD

Title: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Article Title: Photo

4. Individual (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Immigration Status: Unknown

Gender: Male

Marital Status:

Eye Color: HAZEL **Hair Color:** BLACK

Race: WHITE **Height:** 5ft 10in

Weight: 165 (lbs)

(b) (7)(E)

Last Response: (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

Status: (b) (7)(E), OTHER

Query Notification: 0 - NO NOTIFICATION

Lookout Level: 0

Primary Action: 0 - NOT ON PRIMARY

Subject: OTHER

Start Date:

Stop Date:

Entry Date: 08/07/2014

Initial Remarks: Subject is a member of a militia group.

Officer: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Date of Birth: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Citizenship: UNKNOWN

Misc Record Number: (b) (7)(E)

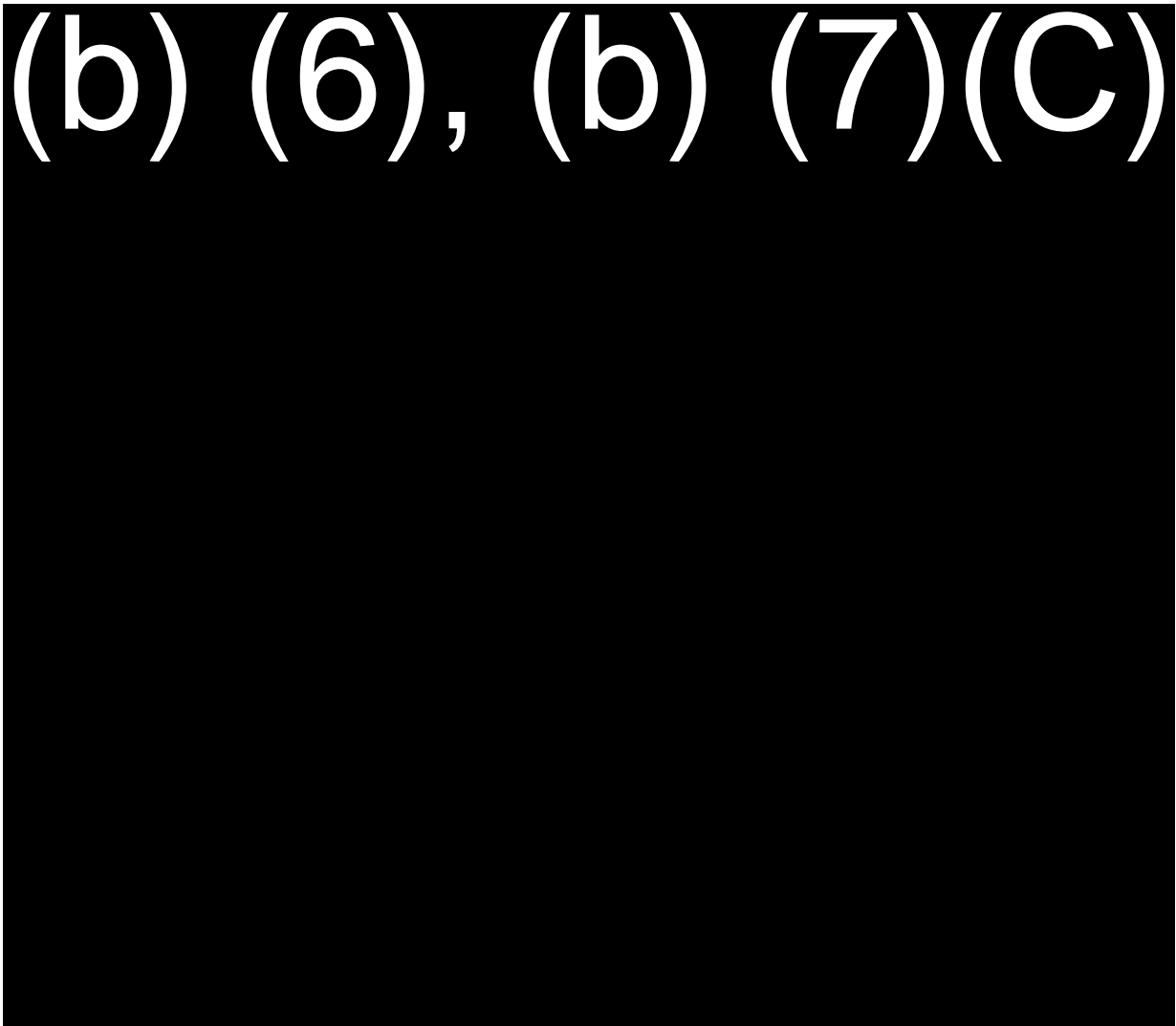
DRIVER'S LICENSE

EDL: No

Driver's License: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

ATTACHMENTS:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



Type: Photograph
Agency: OBP FIELD
Title: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Article Title: Photo

5. Individual

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Immigration Status: Unknown
Gender: Male **Marital Status:**
Eye Color: BLUE **Hair Color:** BLONDE
Race: WHITE **Height:** 5ft 10in
Weight: 180 (lbs)

(b) (7)(E)
Last Response: (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)
Status: (b) (7)(E), OTHER
Query Notification: 0 - NO NOTIFICATION
Lookout Level: 0
Primary Action: 0 - NOT ON PRIMARY
Subject: OTHER
Start Date:

Stop Date:

Entry Date: 08/07/2014

Initial Remarks: Subject is a member of a militia group.

Officer: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Date of Birth: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Citizenship: UNKNOWN

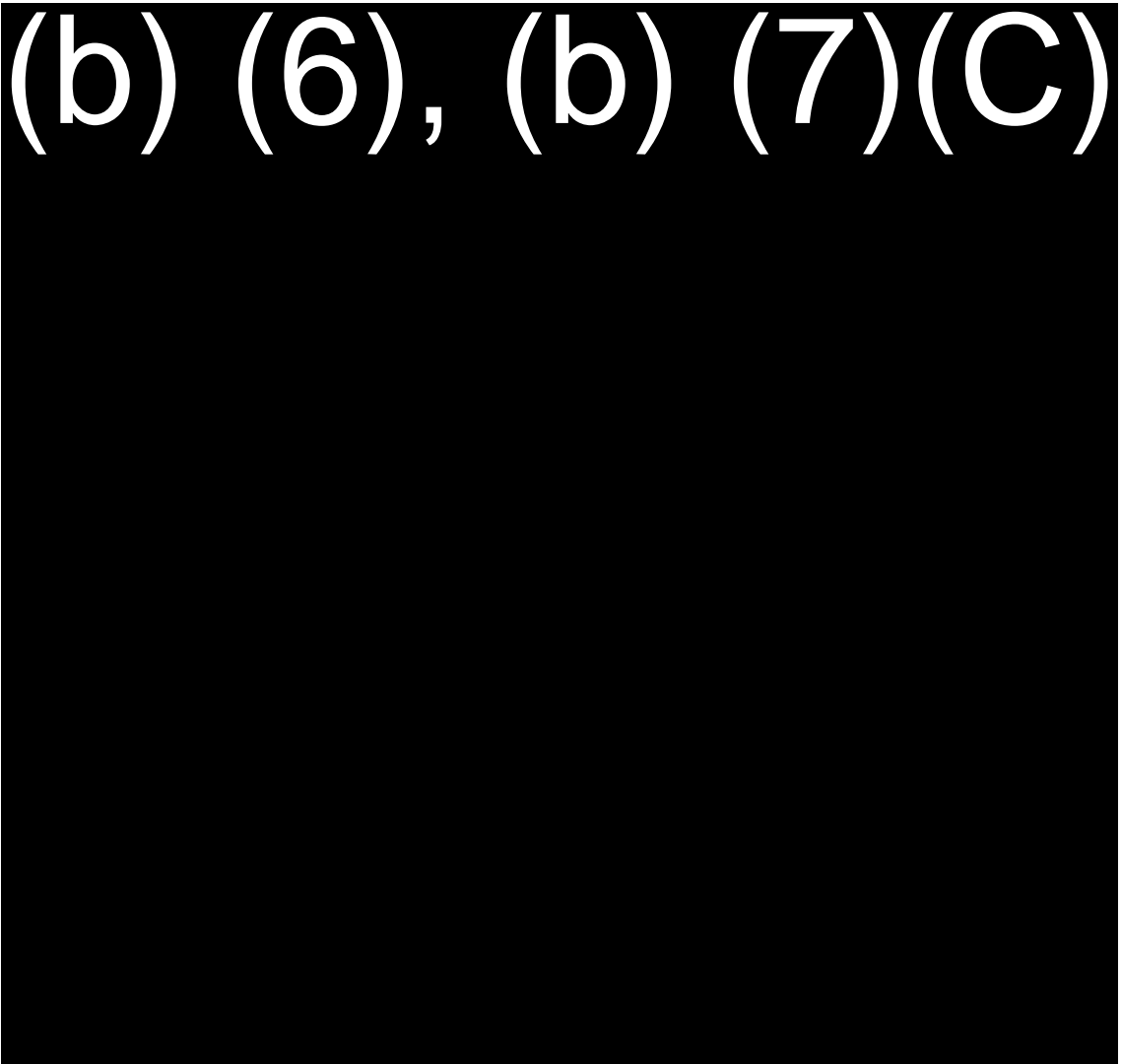
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DRIVER'S LICENSE

EDL: No

Driver's License: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

ATTACHMENTS:



Type: Photograph

Agency: OBP FIELD

Title: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Article Title: Photo

6. Individual (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Immigration Status: Unknown

Gender: Male

Marital Status:

Eye Color: HAZEL **Hair Color:** BROWN

Race: WHITE

Height: 5ft 8in

Weight: 138 (lbs)

(b) (7)(E)

Last Response: (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

Status: (b) (7)(E) OTHER

Query Notification: 0 - NO NOTIFICATION

Lookout Level: 0

Primary Action: 0 - NOT ON PRIMARY

Subject: OTHER

Start Date:

Stop Date:

Entry Date: 08/07/2014

Initial Remarks: Subject is a member of a militia group.

Officer: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Date of Birth: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Citizenship: UNKNOWN

Misc Record Number: (b) (7)(E)

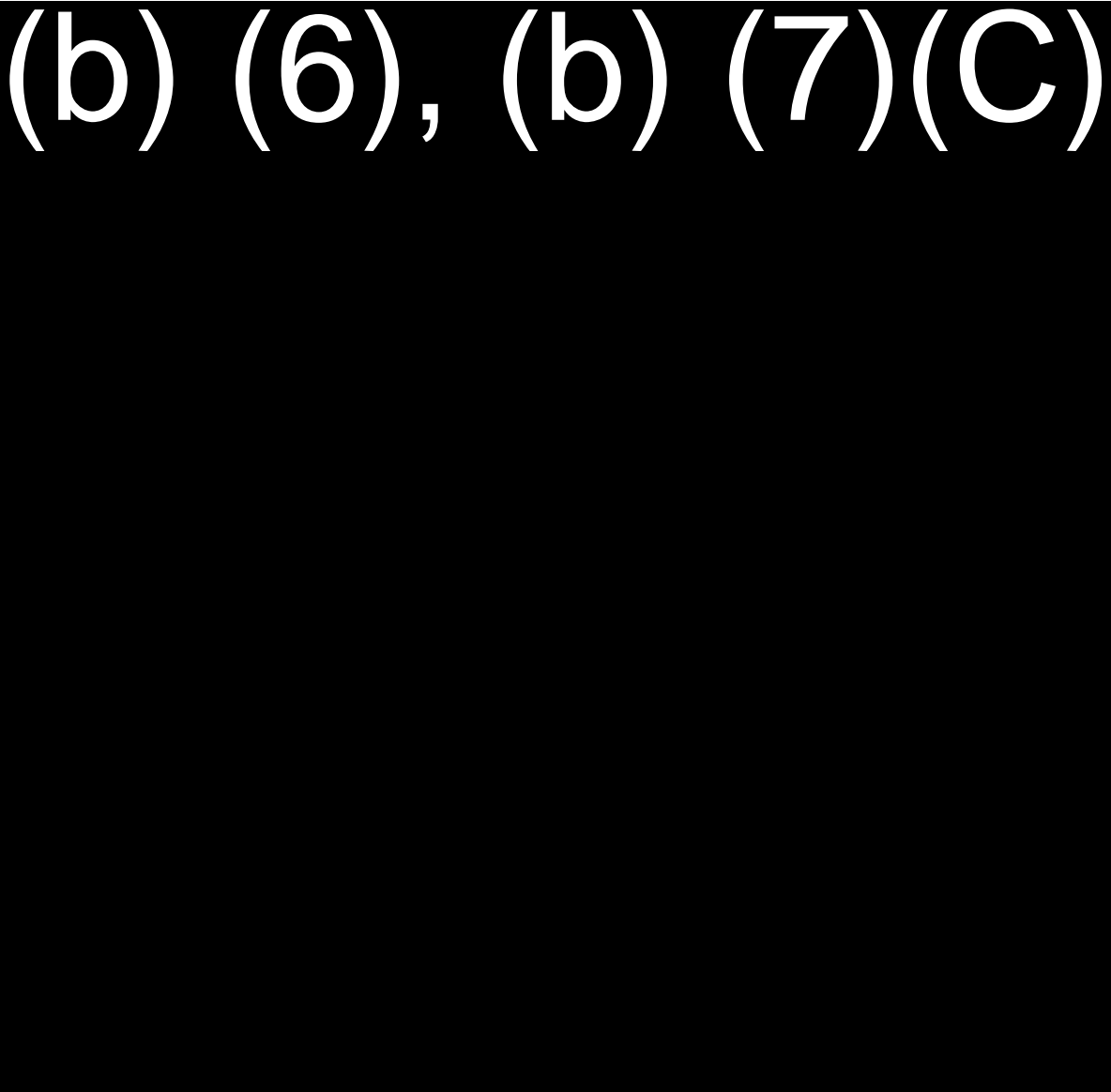
DRIVER'S LICENSE

EDL: No

Driver's License: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

ATTACHMENTS:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



Type: Photograph

Agency: OBP FIELD

Title: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Article Title: Photo

7. Individual (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Immigration Status: Unknown

Gender: Male

Marital Status:

Eye Color: BROWN **Hair Color:** BLACK

Race: WHITE

Height: 5ft 8in

Weight: 140 (lbs)

(b) (7)(E)

Last Response: (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

Status: (b) (7)(E), OTHER

Query Notification: 0 - NO NOTIFICATION

Lookout Level: 0

Primary Action: 0 - NOT ON PRIMARY

Subject: OTHER

Start Date:

Stop Date:

Entry Date: 08/07/2014

Initial Remarks: Subject is a member of a militia group.

Officer: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Date of Birth: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Citizenship: UNKNOWN

Misc Record Number: (b) (7)(E)

DRIVER'S LICENSE

EDL: No

Driver's License: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

ATTACHMENTS:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Agency: OBP FIELD

Title: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Regards,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

RGV-(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV-SOD-COMMANDERS](#)
Subject: FW: 7/28/14 Laredo (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) BOLO: Officer Safety Alert Regarding Possible Threats Against Federal Agents; Houston Chronicle: Armed militia purportedly along the border
Date: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 4:53:14 PM
Attachments: [image009.png](#)
Importance: High

FYSA

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 3:52 PM
Subject: FW: 7/28/14 Laredo (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) BOLO: Officer Safety Alert Regarding Possible Threats Against Federal Agents; Houston Chronicle: Armed militia purportedly along the border
Importance: High

JFYI for awareness.

Please see Laredo (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) email below with facebook pictures and conversation thread.

I believe this is the article mentioned in the email (Houston Chronicle article pictures mentioned not available – link at the bottom of the article also has a video as well as the article):

Armed militia purportedly along the border

By [Kolten Parker](#)

July 28, 2014 | Updated: July 28, 2014 10:57pm

SAN ANTONIO - Militia groups along the Texas border have grown to more than 10 active "teams" from El Paso to the Rio Grande Valley, despite warnings from U.S. Customs and Border Protection and state lawmakers.

More than 30 photos showing dozens of members carrying semiautomatic rifles and wearing masks, camouflage and tactical gear obtained by the San Antonio Express-News provide a first glimpse of the militias. The armed individuals are seen posing at campsites, walking along the Rio Grande River, speaking with Border Patrol agents and pointing rifles and pistols out of frame.

A spokesperson for the group provided the photos under the condition that members' faces be blurred because of fear of being identified by "cartel and gang members."

The CBP earlier this month said the agency does not "endorse or support any private group or organization from taking matters into their own hands as it could have disastrous personal and public safety consequences."

One of the photos shows a Border Patrol agent providing directions to a vehicle of armed militia members. The agency did not respond to multiple requests regarding the photo.

Gov. Rick Perry, who last week ordered 1,000 Texas National Guard members to the border, declined to comment specifically on whether he supports the militia groups through a spokesman but said he is "leading to secure the border."

State Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, denounced the groups in a statement, saying "pointing guns at children solves nothing."

"Local law enforcement and federal border patrol agents have been clear. The presence of these outside independent militia groups does nothing to secure the border; it only creates an unsafe situation for law enforcement officials that are protecting our communities. Unfortunately, the vile rhetoric of my opponent inspires misguided efforts," said Van de Putte, who is running against state Sen. Dan Patrick, R-Houston, for lieutenant governor.

In a statement, the Texas Democratic Party called on Patrick and Attorney General Greg Abbott, the Republican nominee for governor, to denounce the "armed vigilantes."

Patrick and Abbott did not return request for comment.

The groups, including Oathkeepers, Three Percenters and Patriots, began recruiting and organizing more than a month ago, as national media outlets began focusing on an influx of Central American immigrants illegally crossing the border, including more than 50,000 unaccompanied minors.

Barbie Rogers, founder of the Patriots Information Hotline, which is helping organize and recruit for the militia groups, said there are 10 "operations on the ground along the Texas border" from El Paso to Laredo to the Rio Grande Valley. Many of the groups are stationed on ranch land with permission from the owners, she said.

In an interview with the Express-News last month, Chris Davis, commander of the militia's "Operation Secure Our Border: Laredo Sector", who is seen in some of the photos, said members would secure the border in a "legal and lawful manner."

However, in a since-deleted 21-minute YouTube video of Davis, he said: "How? You see an illegal. You point your gun dead at him, right between his eyes, and you say, 'Get back across the border or you will be shot.' "

Davis, a 37-year-old truck driver from Von Ormy, was discharged from the Army in 2001 "under other than honorable conditions in lieu of trial by court martial," according to a summary of Davis' military service obtained by the Express-News.

The Texas militias' operation names, according to Rogers, are: Bolinas Border Patrol, Central Valley Militia, Independant Citizens Militia, Alpha Team, Bravo Team, FOB Harmony, Operation Secure Our Border: Laredo Sector, O'Shanessy's Team, the 77's and Camp Geronimo.

Rogers called on Perry to send 5,000 more National Guard members to the border and "if cost is an issue" to "call the militia. They will come if you call them."

<http://www.houstonchronicle.com/news/houston-texas/houston/article/Armed-militia-purportedly-along-the-border-5652531.php#/3>

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

TX DPS Research Specialist II
ICT/CID Region 3C - Corpus Christi

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (7)(E) Laredo
Sent: Monday, July 28, 2014 5:12 PM
Subject: FW: (b) (7)(E) Officer Safety Alert Regarding Possible Threats Against Federal Agents
Importance: High

Please view the below Officer Safety alert regarding information linked to a story on militia activity at the border.

The below Facebook profile page of a subject by the name of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) shows threats directed towards federal agents.

(b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

This was (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) profile photo at the time:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

Facebook thread from May:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

Friday 5/23/14

Arrive midday to camp.

Saturday 5/24/14

Relax and listen to live music.

1:00pm-4:00pm will be speakers [See More](#)

[Donations](#)

comeandtakeitamerica.com

[Donations for Gathering Of The American Patriot Rally Thank you for your support! // Post by DontComply.com.](#)

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(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)



(b)(6); (b)(7)(C), (b) (7)(E)



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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)
Date: Friday, August 08, 2014 8:38:13 AM
Attachments: (b) (7)(E) [Texas Militia Encounter.docx](#)
(b) (7)(E) [.mht.mht](#)

FYI, still turning over stones on this group..

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 08, 2014 7:26 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

10-4 Sir.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Special Operations Supervisor
RGV Sector - (b) (7)(E)
Edinburg, TX 78542
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, August 08, 2014 7:22 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
[REDACTED]
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

Any additional informational in order to brief V-1 this am? Lets shoot for 8 AM for discussion in the CPA CR..

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 7:38 AM

To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

I believe a briefing document, and an FIR is in order here, I will loop in DCPA and CPA..

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV DC-Operations

"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 1:51 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV (b) (7)(E)

Cc: (b) (7)(E) PAIC-DPAIC-SOS; (b) (7)(E) SBPA

Subject: FW: Encounter with Texas Militia (Notification)

Notification
Encounter With Texas Militia Members
(b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E) Texas

On August 6, 2014, at approximately 11.00 PM, Agents responded to the (b) (7)(E) in (b) (7)(E), Texas to assist with several UDA's in the water and hiding in the brush along the edge of the canal. When agents arrived to the scene a DPS Trooper also arrived to assist. At about the same time several subjects that were armed, dressed in fatigues and thought to be part of a DPS tactical team arrived as well. A short time later, an agent went into the canal

into calf deep water and convinced two of the subjects to get out of the canal, however several more remained in the water hiding beneath the overhanging weeds and carrizo. Realizing the remainder of the group would not come out of the water, another BPA Agent entered the water that was waist deep and began to remove the UDA's from the canal. It was at this time two of what were believed and portrayed to be DPS Rangers also entered the water to assist. At no time did any BPA agent request their assistance. The BPA was able to retrieve all of the subjects from the water without further incident. The supposed DPS Rangers were in the water and only helped several UDAs out of the canal.

After all of the subjects were on the levee it was discovered that the subjects dressed in the fatigues were members of the Texas Militia. All subjects were identified and are listed below.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Vehicles:

White

Subaru Outback

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Blue

Toyota Tundra

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

All subjects were advised to properly and promptly identify themselves during any future encounters with Border Patrol or any other Law Enforcement Agency. DPS Trooper (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) also identified and the subjects and advised that she would submit an (b) (7)(E) report on the group. (b) (7)(E) Also notified DPS (b) (7)(E) Command Center and RGV (b) (7)(E) of the encounter.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)
Date: Thursday, August 14, 2014 6:46:52 PM

Fyi, please contact Acting WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with any questions please.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)-DPAIC

(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 05:42 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)

Maybe it didn't go through.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 5:01 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)

Today, during the evening shift muster, BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) brought up an incident that had occurred several days earlier with a second agent (BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)) for officer safety. I asked BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to elaborate on the encounter. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) then elaborated on an encounter that he had on August 12, 2014 at approximately 1700hrs near the (b) (7)(E) with two armed subjects, possible militia members.

BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) said that he was responding to alien traffic near the (b) (7)(E) in the (b) (7)(E). He said that while walking on (b) (7)(E), he heard brush breaking in the brush that parallels the road. He initially thought it was golfers, but then the traffic appeared to be getting closer. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) drew his weapon and ordered them out of the brush, thinking it was the alien traffic he was looking for. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) said that two subjects emerged from the brush wearing camouflage clothing and one was carrying a long rifle. The two said in English that they were on the same side. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) told them he was working traffic and that they needed to clear from the area. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised agents in the area of the presence of the subjects and several responded to assist.

Agents later apprehended one alien in the area. They were walking the subject back to their vehicles when a jeep parked near their vehicles. The jeep was there to pick up the two individuals. Before leaving, they said that they were there to show one of the new guys the area and to continue hunting for more illegals.

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); [RGV OPS](#); [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)
Date: Thursday, August 14, 2014 7:35:42 PM

Will need an (b) (7)(E) report on this, no plates or ID, correct?

Thank You,
Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV DC-Operations
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 5:47 PM
To: RGV OPS; [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fw: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)

Fyi, please contact Acting WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with any questions please.
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)-DPAIC
(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 05:42 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)

Maybe it didn't go through.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 5:01 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV OPS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)
Date: Thursday, August 14, 2014 8:52:33 PM

Sounds like (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) crew. They drive a Jeep Cherokee painted brown camouflage. The "duck commander" bearded guy might be subject (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). That one is a local.

Not that we believed them but they assured us that they would be focusing on the river and not on foot in the brush.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Watch Commander
(b) (7)(E) Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 07:22 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV OPS; (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)

If they were in a camo jeep, it may be the same group that was encountered by (b) (7)(E) on Aug 10th (EVES).

This group is staging at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(E) and have identified themselves as (b) (6), (b) (7)(E). They carry at least one rifle (AR-15) within the group and wear camo/gilley suits.

The guy in charge is (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and the command phone number is (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
RGV Ops Division
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 06:35 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C); RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)

Will need an (b) (7)(E) report on this, no plates or ID, correct?

Thank You,

Honor First!

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

RGV DC-Operations

"Leading The Charge"

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 5:47 PM

To: RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fw: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)

Fyi, please contact Acting WC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with any questions please.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)-DPAIC

(b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 05:42 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)

Maybe it didn't go through.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 5:01 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Encounter with Possible Militia at (b) (7)(E)

Today, during the evening shift muster, BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) brought up an incident that had occurred several days earlier with a second agent (BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)) for officer safety. I asked BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to elaborate on the encounter. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) then elaborated on an encounter that he had on August 12, 2014 at approximately 1700hrs near the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with two armed subjects, possible militia members.

BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) said that he was responding to alien traffic near the (b) (7)(E) in the (b) (7)(E). He said that while walking on (b) (7)(E), he heard brush breaking in the brush that parallels the road. He initially thought it was golfers, but then the traffic appeared to be getting closer. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) drew his weapon and ordered them out of the brush, thinking it was the alien traffic he was looking for. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) said that two subjects emerged from the brush wearing camouflage clothing and one was carrying a long rifle. The two said in English that they were on the same side. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) told them he was working traffic and that they needed to clear from the area. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised agents in the area of the presence of the subjects and several responded to assist.

Agents later apprehended one alien in the area. They were walking the subject back to their vehicles when a jeep parked near their vehicles. The jeep was there to pick up the two individuals. Before leaving, they said that they were there to show one of the new guys the area and to continue hunting for more illegals.

BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) said that they did not identify themselves as members of a militia group, but due to their dress, he assumed they were. He said that they had long beards (similar to Duck Commander).

From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV (b) (7)(E)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E) ; OPS EAST/CENTRAL SECTORS; SITROOM; STC
DIVISION J2 (b) (7)(E) GML; STC AREA MCALLEN GML; LRT (b) (7)(E) 2; LARCOM; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc:

RGV OPS; RGV (b) (7)(E) PAIC; RGV (b) (7)(E) SBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) LBPA; RGV (b) (7)(E) ANALYSTS

Subject:

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

Date:

Tuesday, July 29, 2014 11:58:13 PM

Attachments:

(b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) 07-29-14.pdf

Importance:

High

ALCON,

Attached and below is a Situational Awareness regarding suspected Minutemen encountered near (b) (7)(E), Texas.

Regards,

RGV (b) (7)(E)

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

On July 29, 2014, Rio Grande Valley Sector (b) (7)(E) (RGV (b) (7)(E)) received information of three suspected Minutemen encountered at the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Farms owned by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) in (b) (7)(E), Texas. All subjects are considered highly trained in combat tactics and weapons. The leader of the group was identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), who is the owner and instructor of Special Tactics And Response out of Morton, Mississippi. Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) claims to be a combat veteran of 20th Special Forces Group 2d Battalion U.S. Army. All subjects claimed they were hired by Mr. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) through someone else to provide security on his property because of the escalation of violent events near the border. Subjects have a .50 caliber sniper rifle with armor piercing rounds, a couple of AR-15s, a .308 sniper rifle and pistols. They also have bullet proof vests with small arms protective insert (SAPI) plates.

All agents should wear ballistic armor, utilize long arms, and work in groups if possible when responding to illicit activity along the border.

The situation will continue to be monitored and updates will be provided if available.

All stations are reminded to notify the RGV (b) (7)(E) of all encounters with these types of groups.

For any questions, please contact the RGV (b) (7)(E) at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

A L E R T

(b) (7)(E)

U.S Border Patrol, Rio Grande Valley Sector – (b) (7)(E)

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

July 29, 2014

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E)

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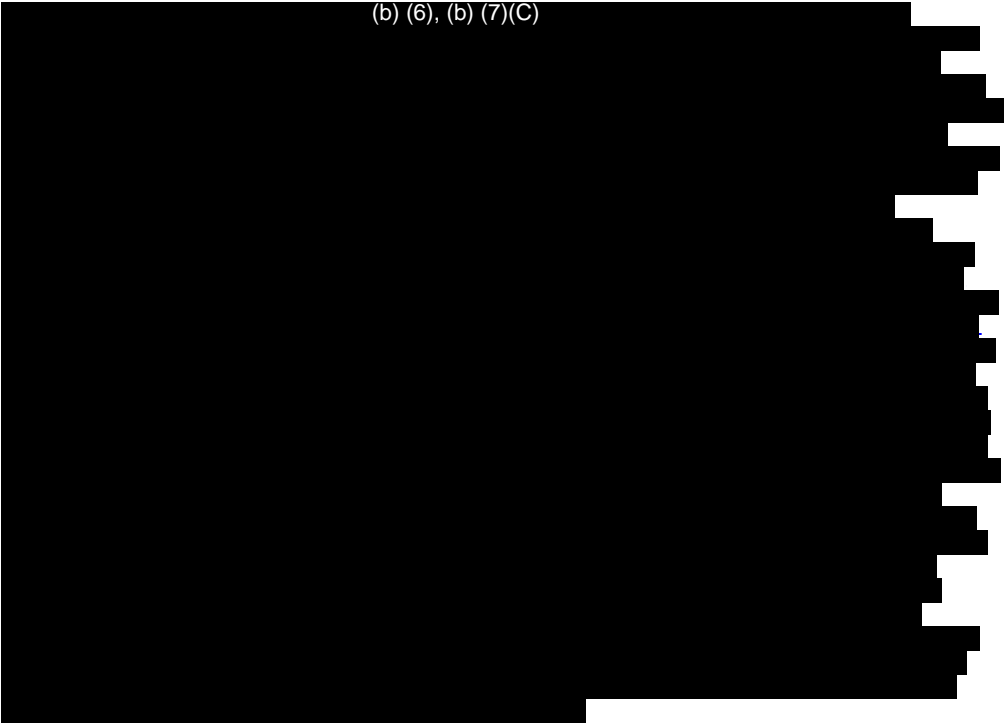
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E)

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



Cc:

[RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [PAIC](#); [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [SBPA](#); [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [LBPA](#); [RGV](#) (b) (7)(E) [ANALYSTS](#); [RGV OPS](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

Officer Safety Alert: Armed Minutemen

Date:

Tuesday, July 15, 2014 5:27:51 PM

Attachments:

(b) (7)(E) [- Armed Minutemen 07-15-14.pdf](#)

Importance:

High

ALCON,

Attached is an Officer Safety Alert regarding armed minutemen staged underneath the (b) (7)(E) Texas Port-of-Entry.

Regards,

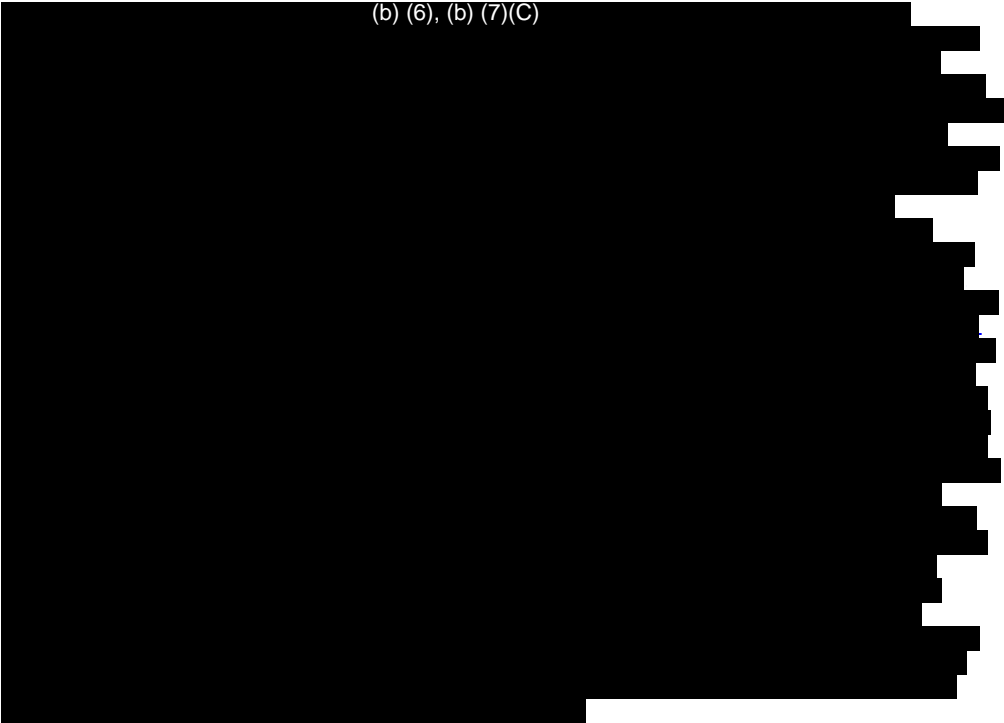
RGV (b) (7)(E)

From:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of RGV [REDACTED]

To:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



Cc:

RGV [REDACTED] PAIC; RGV [REDACTED] SBPA; RGV [REDACTED] LBPA; RGV [REDACTED] ANALYSTS; RGV OPS; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject:

Officer Safety Alert: Armed Minutemen

Date:

Tuesday, July 15, 2014 5:27:51 PM

Attachments:

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Importance:

High

ALCON,

Attached is an Officer Safety Alert regarding armed minutemen staged underneath the [REDACTED] Texas Port-of-Entry.

Regards,

RGV [REDACTED]

A L E R T

(b) (7)(E)

U.S Border Patrol, Rio Grande Valley Sector (b) (7)(E)

OFFICER SAFETY ALERT

July 15, 2014

On July 15, 2014, the Rio Grande Valley Operation [REDACTED] on from the (b) (7)(E) Texas Police Department regarding [REDACTED] minute [REDACTED] setting up [REDACTED] (b) (7)(E) Texas Port-of-Entry. The subjects are reported to be carrying long arms. More armed subjects are also expected to [REDACTED] have the permission of the land owner to operate in the area. The subjects were observed driving [REDACTED] pickup truck with a utility trailer. The subjects were advised to report all illegal activity to the U.S. Border Patrol or the (b) (7)(E) Police Department.

(b) (7)(E)

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(b) (7)(E) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

For any questions, please contact the RGV (b) (7)(E) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

~~For Official Use Only~~

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [RGV SECTORWIDE MAILING LIST](#)
Subject: FW: SA: New Militia To Be Formed, Deployed To Texas-Mexico Border-UPDATE I667 to MMC IOI # (b) (7)(E)
Date: Friday, August 29, 2014 8:33:34 AM

To all stations for Situational Awareness.

Respectfully Submitted,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Management Program Analyst
Office of Policy and Compliance
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
U.S. Border Patrol
Rio Grande Valley Sector
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Edinburg, Texas 78541

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: SITROOM
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 01:31 AM
To: CBP SITROOM- HQ SITUATIONAL AWARENESS
Cc: SITROOM
Subject: SA: New Militia To Be Formed, Deployed To Texas-Mexico Border-UPDATE 667 to MMC IOI # (b) (7)(E)

Location(s): Texas

A Beaumont man is helping organize a militia to head down to Brownsville this fall. The militia will most likely take on the name "**Golden Triangle Tactical Border Project.**" Militia volunteers will be paid and outfitted with \$5,000 worth of military gear. The gear includes a **Troy AR-15 rifle**, military-grade night vision goggles and a 30-pound plate carrier.

Potential volunteers must pass a background check and a physical fitness test in order to join the group. The group will do "basic infantry-style training." Members will be informed of the general rules for camping and patrolling at the border, including not being able to detain people, not firing at anyone (unless it's self-defense) and not consuming alcohol.

The formation of this group comes just days after the deployment of Texas National Guard troops to the border in response to the detainment of 63,000 unaccompanied minors who entered the U.S. illegally from October to July. Texas Military Forces representatives declined to comment on the activities of independent militias and how it affects the work of National Guardsmen.

Border Patrol and Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) troopers have mistaken militia groups for tactical groups from DPS. One instance prompted the Border Patrol to circulate an "issue paper" that warned other agents of these activities.

Traditional Media Sources (some page content may change or not be available over time):

- **Beaumont Enterprise**

-- <http://bit.ly/1po6A26>

FOIA Exemption (b)(7)(C) protects records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes that could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. This exemption takes particular note of the strong interests of individuals, whether they are suspects, witnesses, or investigators, in not being unwarrantably associated with alleged criminal activity. That interest extends to persons who are not only the subjects of the investigation, but those who may have their privacy invaded by having their identities and information about them revealed in connection with an investigation. Based upon the traditional recognition of strong privacy interest in law enforcement records, categorical withholding of information that identifies third parties in law enforcement records is ordinarily appropriate.

FOIA Exemption (b)(7)(E) protects records compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which would disclose techniques and/or procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law. CBP has determined that disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law.

This completes CBP's third interim response to your request. If you have questions or concerns regarding this interim response, you may contact Assistant United States Attorney Scott L. Sroka at (202) 252-7113 or email Scott.Sroka@usdoj.gov.

Please notate file number CBP-2017-086567 on any future correspondence to CBP related to this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jodi Drengson".

Jodi Drengson
FOIA Analyst, FOIA Division
U.S. Customs and Border Protection